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ACCOUNTANT'S CERTIFICATE.

I, WILLIAM BARCLAY PEAT, a member of the firm of R. Mackay & Co., Chartered Accountants, of 3, Lothbury, London, E.C., and Royal Exchange, Middlesbrough, make oath and say that I have examined the books in the Printing and Publishing Department of the North-Eastern Daily Gazette, Middlesbrough-on-Tees, and I find that the net number of Papers printed for the three months from 1st October to 31st December, 1890 was

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W. B. PEAT,
Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Sworn at 3, Lothbury, in the City of London, this 5th day of January, 1891, before me,
THOS. B. CARTWRIGHT,
A Commissioner to administer oaths in the Supreme Court of Judicature in England.

## Public Notices.

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY. FEBRUARY 20TH. AN EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Middleton Teesdale at 1 p.m. (with bookings from Romaldkirk, Barnard Castle, Winston, Darlington, &c.) for LEEDS. For particulars see bills. 19

EXCHANGE HALL, STOCKTON.
CANON TALBOT
Will deliver a Course of Six Lectures on
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Sixth Lecture, FEBRUARY 20TH.
Subject:—
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Splendid Lantern Illustrations.
To commence at 8. Tickets for Course, 2s; unreserved, 6d; single lecture, 6d and 2d.

EXCHANGE HALL, STOCKTON-ON-TEES.
MR BARNBY'S GRAND
EVENING CONCERT,
ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, 1891.
ARTISTES:—
MADAME TREBELLI
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STEAMER BEAR RELIEF FUND.—The steamer Bear, of Middlesbrough, was run down in the Firth of Forth on Sunday, January 11th, and as there are twelve Widows and about thirty-eight Orphans of the crew left unprovided for, a large and influential Committee has been formed for the purpose of raising a Fund for the relief of such of them as may ... Committee ... necessary to relieve. Believing the object to be a thoroughly deserving one the Committee earnestly hope that the public of Middlesbrough, Whitby, Filey, and Kirkwall will co-operate in carrying the movement to a successful issue.
Subscriptions will be gratefully received by any of the Committee or by the undersigned.
M. G. COLLINGWOOD (Mayor), Treasurer.
ALFRED SOCKETT, Honorary Secretary.
Municipal Buildings, Middlesbrough, January, 1891.

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL MUSICIANS.—ESTABLISHED 1882. MIDDLESBROUGH and OTHER CENTRES THEORETICAL EXAMINATION, Fourth Saturday in June. Practical early in July.
The characteristics of the Examinations are—An absolutely well-defined Syllabus of Requirements. The attendance of two examiners at each Examination. No professional local representation. Candidates only known to the Examiners by numbers. List of marks sent to each candidate after Examination. All particulars from the Hon. Gen. Sec., Mr E. Chadfield, 43, Friar Gate, Derby. 19

DURHAM COUNTY COLLIERY ENGINEMEN'S ASSOCIATION.—A District MEETING of the above Society will be held in the CENTRAL HALL, Dundas-street, Spennymoor, on SATURDAY, February 21st, 1891. Chair to be taken at 4.30 p.m. All members are invited to attend. 19

TEMPERANCE HALL, DOVECOT-STREET, STOCKTON.
HERR COHEN
Will attend at his rooms daily from 10 to 1.30, 3 to 5, and 7 to 9. LAST WEEK for the Sale of his PATENT MEDICAL CURATIVE COIL.
Note: Entrance to Herr Cohen's Rooms by side door only; Prince Regent-street.

THEATRE ROYAL, MIDDLESBROUGH.
THIS WEEK:—
The popular Actor, WALTER REYNOLDS, supported by old favourites, in the entirely new Drama, in four Acts, entitled
THE SLAVE OF DRINK.

OXFORD PALACE, Middlesbrough.—THIS WEEK:—Herr Unthan, the World's Phenomenon; the Nineteenth Century Marvel; Miss Morie ...etta, Professor Duemain, D. W. Watson, Miss Edith Manley, Messrs Ashley and Beach, Miss Maud ... Messrs Morgan and Alleon.

GAIETY THEATRE, West Hartlepool.—This Week—THE ORIGINAL JUVENILE COMIC OPERA CO.

ALHAMBRA VARIETY THEATRE, Lambton-street (off Lynn-street), West Hartlepool.—This week:—
AHO and ALBI, the Monarchs of the Air.
Mr FRED IZANT, Character Comedian.
Messrs O... and FOX, in their Celebrated Act, "FUN IN A GYMNASIUM."
Miss BLANCHE PALMARA, "The Little Irish Girl."
LEON PREVOST, the Great London Character.
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Dated this 13th day of February, 1891.
(Signed) DAVID LEWIS.

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Corporation Hotel, Middlesbrough, Saturday, Feb. 21.
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## Public Notices.

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.
SHIRE HORSE SHOW AT THE AGRICULTURAL HALL.
On WEDNESDAY, the 25th February, an Excursion Train will leave Darlington at 1.20 a.m. (with bookings from North and South Stockton, Middlesbrough, Saltburn, Redcar, South Bank, &c.) for LONDON for Two Days. See bills.
Superintendent's Office, Newcastle. 19

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.
FEBRUARY 21st.
An EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Stanhope at 1.20 p.m. (with bookings from Wolsingham, Etherley, Bishop Auckland, &c.) for NEWCASTLE.
An EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Loftus at 1.25 p.m. (with bookings from Brotton, Saltburn, Redcar, South Bank, Middlesbrough, South Stockton, &c.) for LEEDS.
FOOTBALL MATCH AT SUNDERLAND.
MIDDLESBROUGH v. SUNDERLAND ALBION.
An EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Eston Grange at 12.30 p.m. (with bookings from South Bank, Middlesbrough, and Stockton) for SUNDERLAND.
For particulars see bills. 20

LOSS OF THE STEAMER BEAR.
NEW TOWN HALL, MIDDLESBROUGH,
WEDNESDAY, February 25th,
GRAND BENEFIT CONCERT
(promoted by the Apollo Male Voice Choir and an influential Committee).
ARTISTES:
SOPRANO—MISS LILY PEARCE, L.R.A.M. (of the Leeds Concerts).
CONTRALTO—MISS ISABEL COUNEY (Mrs Smith, Middlesbrough).
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Conductor, Mr JOHN MORGAN.
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Admission Reserved Seats, 3/- (plan at Mr Hoggett's Music Warehouse), Balcony and Second Seats, 2/-, Body of Hall, 1/-, Gallery and Area, 6d.
Tickets may be obtained of Mr Hoggett, Exchange-place; Mr Lloyd, 32, Milton-street; Mr Johnson, 84, Wilson-street; Mr Morgan, 18, Milton-street; the Members of the Committee and Choir, and of several of the Tradesmen of the town and district.
Doors open at 7; Concert at 7.45; Carrriages at 10.15 p.m.

UPLEATHAM MINES HORTICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY.—The Sixteenth ANNUAL EXHIBITION will be held at Marske-by-the-Sea, on SATURDAY, August 22nd, 1891, at which will also be held an EXHIBITION of POULTRY and PIGEONS.
21 J. STRONG, Hon. Sec.

YARM FOOTBALL CLUB.—1st Team wants Good Match on Easter Monday; home or away. Apply early, stating guarantee given or wanted, to W. O. Rudd. 19

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FOUND, on the 17th inst., in Hartburn-lane, a Sheep; if not claimed within three days will be sold. Apply Hethrington, Hartburn Gardens, Stockton. 19

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SUNDERLAND AND LONDON.—S.S. GENERAL HAVELOCK leaves SAT., Feb. 21, at 2 p.m.; returns Victoria Wharf, London, next WED. FARES: Cabin 8s and 12s return 12s and 18s. W. H. THOMPSON John street Sunderland

REGULAR STEAM COMMUNICATION BETWEEN HULL AND THE TEES.
The s.s. "GRINKLE" (400 tons) will sail from HULL every Saturday, taking goods at through rates, for Middlesbrough, Stockton, and District, returning to Hull every Tuesday (circumstances permitting).
For freight and further particulars apply to W. H. Hutchinson and Son, Hull; J. M. Lennard & Sons, Middlesbrough; or to William Martin, Corporation Wharf, Stockton-on-Tees.

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NEW WEEKLY SERVICE
BETWEEN ABERDEEN, MIDDLESBROUGH, AND LEITH.
The s.s. Alexander Pirie, or other steamer, is intended to leave Aberdeen for Middlesbrough Every Saturday, and Middlesbrough for Leith and Aberdeen Every Tuesday (unless prevented by weather or other unforeseen circumstances), taking cargo and passengers.
For full particulars and fares apply to Wm. Skirving, Regent Quay, Aberdeen; G. Hourston, 64, Constitution-street, Leith; or to HENRY SMITH AND CO., Post Office Chambers, Middlesbrough-on-Tees

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THE TEES UNION SHIPPING CO.'S Steamers sail from FREE TRADE WHARF, Ratcliff, London, of which wharf the Company are proprietors, every Tuesday and every Saturday afternoon at four o'clock, taking goods for Middlesbrough and Stockton and adjacent towns, and sailing each Wednesday and Saturday for London (unless prevented by any unforeseen circumstances).
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Classification lists and rates on application. A limited number of Passengers carried by each steamer. Passages should be applied for beforehand. Any further information may be had on application to the Company's Offices, Middlesbrough or Stockton.

## Tenders.

THORNABY BURIAL BOARD.
TO CONTRACTORS.—TENDERS are required for Draining the proposed Extension of the Thornaby Cemetery.
Plans may be seen and blank forms of Schedule of prices obtained at the offices of the Local Board, in George-street, South Stockton.
Schedules to be properly filled up and returned to me not later than the 28th inst.
(By order of the Board) W. J. WATSON, Clerk.
Thornaby Burial Board Offices, South Stockton, 18th February, 1891. 20

CORPORATION OF STOCKTON-ON-TEES.
TO WHEELWRIGHTS.—The District Fund Committee are prepared to receive TENDERS for six new carts. Specification may be seen and Form of Tender obtained on application to the Borough Engineer. Tenders, endorsed, to be sent in to me not later than 10 a.m. on Tuesday, the 24th inst.
(By order) M. B. DODDS, Town Clerk.
Stockton-on-Tees, February 17, 1891. 21

CORPORATION OF STOCKTON-ON-TEES.
The District Fund Committee are prepared to receive TENDERS for the Erection of Cattle Sheds and Stabling at the Depot, Richmond-street.
Plans and Specification may be seen, and Form of Tender obtained, on application to the Borough Engineer. Tenders, endorsed, to be sent to me not later than 10 a.m. on Tuesday, the 24th inst.
The Committee do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.
(By Order) M. B. DODDS, Town Clerk.
17th February, 1891.

## Education.

J. H. ADLINGTON.—Lessons on Pianoforte, Harmonium, and Organ; Harmony and Singing. 118, St. Paul's-terrace, Middlesbrough.

MIDDLESBROUGH GRAMMAR SCHOOL, GRANGE-ROAD, W.—Preparation for Business or Professional Life in small classes with individual attention. Class for Pharmaceutical Examination. Half Term Monday, March 2nd. Moderate Fees.

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Boys receive a thorough commercial training, and are also prepared for Civil Service, Cambridge Locals, and College of Preceptors.
A limited number of Boarders at £30 per annum.

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16 WORDS, 1 DAY, 6D......3 DAYS, 1s 3D......6 DAYS, 2s
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AGENCY for Servants: Mrs Hodgson, 121, Linthorpe-road, Middlesbrough. Good situations.

AGENCY for Servants, Miss Wright Derby House, Hartington-road, Stockton. Good situations.

AGENCY for Servants.—Miss Hayllar, 9, Bridge-road, Stockton Good Servants Wanted.

AGENCY for Servants: Mrs Rudd, 33, Mandale-road, South Stockton. Moderate terms.

AGENTS Wanted, whole or spare time, commission and bonus. Ireton and Co., 92, Gracechurch-street, London.

AGENTS Wanted to Sell Collier's Pills; good commission. Apply for particulars to James Collier, Cwmyniscoy, Pontypool, Mon. 20

AGENTS.—Insurance Agents, Timekeepers, and Foremen Wanted to Sell Jewellery on commission. Address N2, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough. 19

AGENTS Wanted to Push first-class Machinery Oils; liberal commission. Box 22, Post Office, Liverpool. 25

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BARMAID.—Young Lady Wanted. Apply Vane Arms Hotel, Stockton. 19

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BOYS Wanted used to feeding printing machines. Address F11, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough.

BOYS and Girls.—Wanted, several strong Boys and Girls. Apply J. W. Hope, Bridge End Mineral Water Works, Willington, Durham. 23

BEFORE applying elsewhere ladies and servants should apply at Mrs Bowman's old established Registry Office, 2, Low Tenters-street, Bishop Auckland. 20

CANVASSERS and Collectors Wanted, good pushing men, for sewing machines. W. Sellers and Sons (note new address), 20, Albert-road, Middlesbrough. 20

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COOK (good, plain) Wanted for Stockton; good wages; no washing. Miss Hayllar's Registry, Bridge-road, Stockton. 20

COOK and Housemaid. Please meet Lady, 1 o'clock, Thursday first, at Miss Wright's, Derby House, Stockton. 23

COOK (also, Housemaid) Wanted for business house. Apply Houskeeper, care of Carter and Co., Stockton-on-Tees. 19

DAY Girl (respectable, trustworthy) Wanted, about 15 or 16. Apply Coverdale's Library, Redcar. 19

DRAPERY.—Wanted, a Junior for the Manchester Department at J. Burnip's, Spennymoor. 21

DRESS and Mantle Making.—Apprentices Wanted. Apply 1, Hardwick-terrace, Stockton. 19

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DRAINERS.—Wanted at once, 7 or 8 Drainers. Apply Mrs Gibbon's Farm, Stillington. 19

FURNISHING Department.—Wanted, active Junior Assistant. Wright and Archibald, Sussex-street, Middlesbrough. 26

GUISBOROUGH School Board.—Wanted immediately, a Trained Certificated Assistant Mistress to teach large class composed of Standards V, VI, and VII. Must be a good disciplinarian, and thoroughly well qualified to teach Tonic Sol-fa and drill. Salary £60 a year. Applications, stating age, qualifications, experience, when at liberty, and accompanied by copies of testimonials (which will not be returned), to be sent to me by the 4th March. Arthur Buchannan, Clerk.—Guisborough, 12th February, 1891.

GROCERY Warehouseman Wanted; steady young man; able to assist at counter, and look after horse, &c. Apply Wright's Cash Stores, 132, Cannon-street, Middlesbrough. 20

GROCER'S Cartman.—Wanted, Young Man as Cartman and Warehouseman; must be willing and good worker. Apply, stating wage required, Walter Willson, Haswell. 23

GENERAL Servant Wanted. Apply Mrs Hunter, Ship Launch Inn, Stockton. 19

GENERAL Servant (good) Wanted. Apply Miss Thornton, Seaton Hotel, Seaton Carew. 19

GENERAL Servant Wanted; not under 20. Apply Vine Inn, Newport-road, Middlesbrough. 21

GENERAL Servant Wanted. Apply Theatre Hotel, Yarm-lane, Stockton. 19

GENERAL Servant Wanted at once. Apply Wilkinson, 37, High-street, Redcar. 21

GENERAL Servant Wanted; about 15. Apply 10, Station-terrace, Stockton. 19

GENERAL Servant, able to wash; small family; wages £10 8s. Mrs James Rapp, Post Office House, Saltburn. 20

GENERAL Servant Wanted; able to wash and do plain cooking. Apply 50, Scarborough-street, West Hartlepool. 21

GENERAL Servant (experienced) Wanted; good character indispensable; two in family. Mrs Roberts, Bowesfield Villa, Stockton. 21

GENERAL Servant (good) Wanted immediately. Apply Shipwright's Arms, Stockton-street, Middlesbrough. 19

GENERAL Servant Wanted; able to wash; small family; good references required. Edward Hind, Confectioner, Bishop Auckland. 19

GENERAL Servant (strong) Wanted; country girl preferred. Apply Mrs Burton, Grammar School, Yarm. 23

GENERAL Servant Wanted; good plain cook; 3 in family. Address R. H., "Gazette" Office, Stockton. 21

GENERAL Servant (experienced) Wanted by 17th March; also, good Nurse-Housemaid: one child; good character. Mrs H. Mellanby, Yarm. 21

GENERAL Servant Wanted; able to do plain cooking. Apply Mrs A. J. Nelson, 10, Hardwick-terrace, Stockton-on-Tees. 21

GENERAL Servant (thoroughly competent) Wanted at once; no cooking required. Apply, before seven in the evening, at 49, Wilson-street, corner of Dundas-street, Middlesbrough. 21

GIRL (respectable), as General, Wanted, age about 16. Apply, between 6 and 7, 6, Palmerston-street, Stockton. 20

GIRL (age 15 or 16) Wanted; must be respectable; country preferred. Apply 21, South-street, Middlesbrough. 20

GIRL (respectable) Wanted, as General; good home, no family; good character indispensable. Apply Mrs Rogerson, 50, Prospect-terrace, Hunslet, Leeds. 21

HAIRDRESSER.—Wanted, good Haircutter and Shaver. None other need apply to Seaman, 17, Gilkes-street, Middlesbrough. 21

HOUSEMAID for two in family; also, several Cooks, Generals, and Nurse-Housemaids Wanted for the term. County Registry, Charles-street, West Hartlepool.

HOUSEKEEPER Wanted; good needlewoman. Apply, between 6 and 7, 22, Davison-street, Middlesbrough. 20

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J. OSBORN and Co., Middlesbrough, are in Want of a good Man for Warehouse, and one that understands a horse, and can drive. Apply after 6 p.m. 20

KITCHENMAID (strong) Wanted. Apply 3, Wellington-street, Stockton-on-Tees. 19

KITCHENMAID and Cook; small family; comfortable place. Send age, wage, references, Miss Wright, Derby House, Stockton. 19

KNITTING Machines.—Harrison Gold Medal Swift; Wanted, buying agents. Works: 48, Upper Brook-street, Manchester.

LIVERPOOL Victoria Legal Friendly Society.—Wanted, several good Men as Collecting Canvassers, whole or spare time, for Stockton, Middlesbrough, and district; salary and commission. Apply, with references, to E. Borley, District Agent, 7, Mansfield-street, South Stockton 24

MIDDLESBROUGH School Board.—Wanted, an Ex-P.T. Assistant Master for a large Boys' School; salary £50. Apply, enclosing copies of testimonials, to J. S. Calvert, School Board, Middlesbrough.

MILLINERY.—Wanted, Young Ladies as Apprentices. Frank and Co., Drapers, Stockton. 19

MAN (respectable) Wanted immediately; wages 35s per week; regular work; education unnecessary. Address Surface Company, Bolton. 25

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SITUATION Wanted ... Person, age 19. Address ... 19

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## THE FACTORY WORKER.

One of the pleas used by the advocates of woman suffrage is that the absence of political power subjects the sex to many injustices, both in the way of omission and commission, at the hands of the Legislature;—that the non-representation of women in Parliament involves either the neglect or the unintelligent and partial consideration of their claims and interests. We believe this plea to be in the main well founded. Each class can best make known its own wants, and is therefore in some respects best qualified to promote and most likely to persist in demanding reform. In the past, and even in these days, when the political rights of women are ably and resolutely asserted though not yet fully recognised, evil is undoubtedly done the sex from want of thought and knowledge more than from want of heart, alike in the legislation and administration of the country. But at the same time—the result, we believe, to a large extent of the activity of women in the political sphere—the desire or intention to do justice to the gentler sex is at once more sensitive and stronger in the minds of our modern legislators than in those of their predecessors. One evidence of this improved sentiment is found in the desire now being shown to legislate in the interests of the factory worker. The Bill promoted by Sir Henry James, which was discussed in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, and the somewhat similar measure presented by the Government are both inspired by a desire to make life in the factories more comfortable and safer than at present; and in the centres of the cotton, woollen, and linen industries the great majority of the workpeople are women. In the old, slow-going days of the generations which knew not the properties of steam-power, and which trusted entirely to manual dexterity for the production of cloth, the art of weaving in the United Kingdom was left almost entirely in the possession of male operators. It is true that in still more ancient times, when men thought more of war than of work, weaving was regarded as a feminine occupation. Thus we find Hector, when on the eve of one of his battles he lovingly counselled Andromache to seek consolation in home tasks, in guiding the spindle, and in directing the loom, marking out the superiority of his own calling—

> Me glory summons to the battle scene.
> The field of combat is the sphere for men.

In these modern days the women of the districts in which textile industries abound have recovered for themselves the traditional occupation of the Dardan dames, while the men, adapting their tastes to the wants of an age more utilitarian, if less heroic in the vulgar sense of the term, have directed their energies to the mechanical, or what may be called the manlier industrial arts. Thus to the families of the working classes in many of our industrial communities a double source of income has been opened up, and the result is more than a duplication of the material comfort and prosperity enjoyed by the age which knew nothing of the steam loom or of the factory.

These factory workers certainly deserve all the consideration and protection and encouragement in the paths of virtue which the Legislature can give. Their lot, it is true, is much happier than that of their sisters who seek a mistakenly supposed genteeler calling in the smaller sewing and knitting workshops. Their work to a far greater degree enriches themselves and the community at the same time. Free, honest work is humanising and ennobling; and the work of the factory girls, though arduous enough, is not slavery. It is gratefully accepted as a boon. It is prized as a means to independence and comparative comfort. The operatives are not free from the vanities of the sex. They love fine dresses for Sunday wear, and they compete with each other in the stylishness of head-attire. But the spirit which sustains them in their daily labours is not merely the passion for self-adornment. It is something more and something better. These girls are generous to a fault. They readily recognise and nobly respond to the claims of family ties. One goes home with a light heart because she knows her earnings will shelter a widowed mother or a stricken father from the biting blasts of chill penury, or provide a luxury for a sick sister, or the means of education for a loved brother, which would otherwise be beyond the family reach. Another, while satisfying her sense of duty by laying aside a portion of her weekly income to gather a self-provided dowry, gives fancy the rein as she speculates on the nature of the surprise gift which her surpluses will enable her to present to the children of her sister and brother. Certainly the factory workers do not toil to make money for the sake of money alone; or to hide it in a hedge, or to stow it away in an old stocking. Without being either thriftless or improvident, they are the reverse of miserly. They use their money liberally and wisely; finding genuine pleasure themselves in their mode of distribution, they at the same time draw their kin into grateful and loving sympathy with them, and thus sweeten and brighten the family life. Their weaving is not confined to the factory, or to what is purely material. It helps to make the network which links society together, and

> Binds the whole world of reason, life, and sense
> In one grand system of benevolence.

Along with the spirit which sits at and plies "the roaring loom of time," it contributes to the texture of social life which reveals the presence and influence of the God of Providence. The loom of fortune may weave alternately "the fine and coarsest web;" the loom of family affection and Christian charity, as directed by these deft-handed, warm-hearted factory girls, produces some of the very finest material by which the human graces and virtues are exhibited.

Linen weaving is a cleanlier occupation than cotton or woollen manufacture, and the need for the new legislation proposed is doubtless more felt in Lancashire and Yorkshire, and in the South of Scotland, than at the seats of the linen industry. The visitor to Dunfermline, attracted thither perhaps by the numerous memorials of old Scottish life, political and ecclesiastical, which it contains—for the town was not only King Malcolm Canmore's capital, and the home of Robert the Bruce, but in a later generation "the cradle of dissent"—should not fail to seek admission to one of the factories. Little difficulty will be experienced in obtaining the necessary permission, for the manufacturers take a laudable pride in their works, and willingly show them to strangers. Within them much is to be seen fitted to interest and instruct. The cleanliness and orderliness which everywhere prevail, the polished, shining furniture of the engine-room, the eager activity displayed in the mechanics' workshop, as though every artificer seemed to think the avoidance of a stoppage could only be ensured by his energy, the manual dexterity of the winders and lappers, the calculating, self-intelligent-like movement of the warpers' bobbins and wheels, the eident hands and vigilant eyes of the women-workers in the great weaving factory itself, with machinery in motion under your feet, and machinery in motion over your head—all appeal simultaneously and urgently to every faculty you possess; and your mind and brain, carried away in the ceaseless, resistless rush of activity, feel as though they were being driven by steam-power too. The courteous manager who guides you through the works will probably suggest that you should take your last view by stepping up a ladder, leaning against one of the roof-beams until you raise your head to the level of the machines which determine the various patterns that are being worked by the looms below. If such an opportunity should be given it should not be declined. The sight thereby obtained is the most wondrous and impressive of all. Within the reach of your visual survey are possibly as many as 600 individual machines, each carrying out, directing and controlling, a countless number of motions more or less complicated, and bringing out with unfailing regularity an infinite variety of results. There is no fault or flaw anywhere. When the farmer sows his seed much of it falls by the wayside, or is picked up by the birds. The preacher or orator frequently speaks to inattentive, unresponsive minds. On the battlefield powder is spent by the ton to no purpose. But here there is no waste; no loss. Every shot tells. Every movement produces its calculated intended result.

> O, what a tangled web we weave,
> When first we practise to deceive.

But here there is no deceit; no sign of entanglement anywhere. The whole machinery drives on at express train speed; and the six hundred or more webs of cloth grow at a rate which suggests the possibility of the Dunfermline manufacturers rivalling the achievement of Puck by producing in forty minutes a linen girdle long enough to enclasp the earth. The learned and professional classes, the book-writers, and statesmen sometimes fancy they possess a monopoly of human intellect. Let them enter almost any kind of workshop in our industrial centres, and ask who plan and guide and superintend all the operations of the elaborate machinery they see fulfilling its purpose with unerring exactitude and unfailing regularity. Modern industrial life is not an enslaving, degrading power. It has many romantic aspects, and it calls into play the highest qualities of heart and intellect.

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SIR WILLIAM GRAY'S re-election as Chairman of the Hartlepool Port and Harbour Commissioners was a foregone conclusion. The appointment, however, is thoroughly in accord with the views of all sections of the shipping community in the Hartlepools. Sir William's large interest in the port, his intimate connection with the shipping trade, and his great business ability render him an admirable chairman of the Board with which he has been connected for so many years.

THE Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children has lately been making itself a terror to evil-doers on Tees-side. The revelations to which its prosecutions are leading are in the highest degree distressing, not to say humiliating. But they cannot fail to stir lovers of virtue and of humanity into a livelier and keener concern for the condition of their neighbours. We trust they will at the same time shame, if not frighten, negligent parents into a better and fuller discharge of their domestic duties.

PROFESSOR LIEBREICH, of Berlin, has explained to an interviewer that his remedy for tuberculosis is pharmacological, not bacteriological; that it can, moreover, be prepared by ordinary chemists at a price within the reach of the poorest classes, and that it causes no febrile reaction, and is attended by no risks, although, of course, certain precautions have to be observed in its administration. The Professor, however, declines to give further information until he has formally and scientifically explained his discovery to the medical faculty. Professor Liebreich, who is a close personal friend of Professor Virchow, is him self a man of high professional repute.

IT is estimated that the cost of the projected extension of the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway, which, if authorised, will provide a new connection between the North of England and London and the South, will be considerably less than the sum spent on the construction of the Forth Bridge. It will not shorten the journey between the capital and Manchester, but it will tap new sources of traffic for the great canal now approaching completion. The line which the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincoln Company desire to throw out southwards, from the centre of their system, which touches both the east and the west coasts, with Grimsby as the eastern and Manchester as the western terminus, is a hundred miles long. By an arrangement with the Metropolitan Railway it will secure for the Company unique access to the capital, in the full and unrestricted use of 42½ miles of railway all round London and across the Thames into Kent and Sussex. The shareholders and the public generally are assured that there are practically no engineering difficulties to be overcome. There is hardly a tunnel throughout the whole length, and the physical difficulties of the entrance into London are insignificant compared with those which have had to be surmounted by the other railways having termini in the metropolis.

THE second reading of the Miners' Eight Hours Bill is fixed for March 18th. It is said that 90 per cent. of the mining population are in favour of an eight hours day. On March 28th an international conference is to be held in Paris; and it has been stated, at a meeting in Nottinghamshire, that unless some sympathy is shown to the miners by the British Government, "it is only too possible that a resolution will be passed to stop every colliery in Europe and the United States." Sir Frederick Milner has placed the following notice upon the paper of the House of Commons as an amendment to the Mines (Eight Hours) Bill:—"That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the hours of labour to be worked by adults in mines should be determined in conciliatory conference between the miners and their employers, and should not be the subject of legal interference." The Government will accept this amendment. Their ally, Mr Chamberlain, is not, however, prepared to meet the Bill with the absolute negative involved in Sir F. Milner's resolution, and he proposes to ask the House to declare that, in view of the difference of opinion among miners themselves, the hours of labour should not at the present time be the subject of legislative action. The promoters of the measure count upon the support of Lord Randolph Churchill. The Unionist party is, therefore, "untied" as regards the Miners Bill.

THE electoral battle in Canada is being carried on with terrible fury. At an immense gathering held in Toronto on Tuesday night Sir John Macdonald and Sir Charles Tupper quoted from what they considered incontestable documentary evidence for the purpose of supporting charges of treason brought against the Liberal leaders, and more especially Sir Richard Cartwright. This party opponent Sir John Macdonald described as having been seduced from his loyalty as a Privy Councillor and from his moral and social obligations by "the Devil and Wiman"—the latter an energetic supporter of commercial union with the United States. He roundly declared that Sir Richard Cartwright had "sneaked to Washington, and sat at nights with American statesmen settling whether he could sell Canada or not." These charges have naturally produced great sensation and excited no small amount of indignation against the Liberal leaders. It seems that Mr Farrer, the editor of the *Toronto Globe*, is the author of the documentary evidence on which the Prime Minister and the High Commissioner rely to substantiate their charges. This gentleman has published an explanation to the effect that the writings from which Sir John Macdonald and Sir Charles Tupper quoted were prepared by him for the private information of an American friend in Washington; that they expressed only his own views and not the views of the *Globe* or of the Liberal leaders; and that if they are treasonable he is personally prepared to bear the consequences. This explanation will, we suspect, do neither the *Globe* nor the Liberal party much service. But, meanwhile, the Liberals are carrying on the electoral struggle with unflagging energy, though apparently with declining hope, and with increasing cautiousness of language. One of their chief champions, the Hon. Wilfred Laurier, speaking at Montreal on the night of the great Conservative demonstration at Toronto, confidently predicted a victory for his party, whose policy he described as "one of peace and conciliation towards the United States, as opposed to Sir John's braggadocio." The victory of the Liberal party, he declared, would settle the Behring Sea, the Atlantic fishery, and other disputes with the American Republic, and would bring prosperity to Canada.


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## LONDON NOTES.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE AND EXTRACTS, &c.]
LONDON, Thursday.

Arrangements are being made for the visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales to Ireland early in the coming summer. During this visit, which will be paid in response to the invitation of the Lord Lieutenant and Mr Balfour, several of the most interesting historical portions of Ireland will come in for a share of attention. Many of the industries which are peculiarly associated with Ireland will also be brought under the notice of their Royal Highnesses, the Princess having especially expressed her interest in the lace making work of the peasants of Donegal. It is not, perhaps, generally known that the Princess has been very assiduous in the attention she has shown in the fund started for the relief of the Irish poor by Mr Balfour and Lord Zetland. Her Royal Highness was so keenly alive to the fact of the existence of acute distress that she personally addressed several of her more intimate friends soliciting aid for the fund, and, with her daughters, assisted in preparing for despatch to Ireland several bundles of clothing.

Referring to the discussion in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, the *Times* to-day says: It became clear in the course of the debate that the question of increasing the stringency of factory legislation is a much more difficult and complicated one than it appears to be at first sight. Most of the proposals of Sir Henry James's Bill look perfectly equitable and expedient, yet Sir Henry James himself has perceived that the objections to many of them are exceedingly grave, and has promised to modify them in deference to the criticisms of experts.

Mr Stanley Leighton has given notice of his intention to move, as an amendment to the resolution in favour of Disestablishment in Wales, "That inasmuch as the Church derives no portion of its revenues from taxation, and provides in Wales as well as in England spiritual ministrations for a larger proportion of the population than any other denomination of Christians, it is unjust as well as inexpedient to deprive the Church people of the Principality of the means to support the form of religious worship which they prefer."

The Oxford Delegates for University Extension have just issued the essay subjects for their yearly competition for scholarships. Some of the scholarships, all of which are tenable at the summer meeting, are limited to elementary teachers, others to working men and women. The scholarships, which are of the aggregate value of £120, are given to the Oxford University Extension students who write the best essays on one of ten alternative subjects drawn from English history, literature, political economy, and natural science. The essays must be sent in before June 8, and the award will be announced on July 1.

Mr Peel, a son of the Speaker, has been appointed one of the Clerks of the House of Commons. The post is not one obtained upon personal nomination, but has been won in competitive examination.

Mr Justice Stephen is highly indignant at the suggestion that he is about to retire. He has not the smallest intention of doing so, and those who know him declare that the statements that have been made about him are calculated to make his resolution to remain on the Bench all the stronger.

I am sorry to hear of the illness of the Rev. Dr. Henry Allon, of Islington, who is staying at a well-known health resort in South Devon. Though he is somewhat better, his friends are nevertheless very anxious concerning him. It is now nearly fifty years since Dr. Allon became minister of Union Chapel, Islington.

The coming visits of the Duke of Clarence and Avondale to Tranby Croft are generally accepted as an intimation that the Prince of Wales attaches no blame to Mr and Mrs A. Wilson in reference to the gaming scandal. Some unfriendly comment has been made on the action of the host and hostess in this matter, but it is quite clear that these feelings are not shared by the Prince.

It is believed in diplomatic circles that if Lord Dufferin leaves Rome before the end of the year the Embassy will be offered to Sir Henry Wolff. There is no longer a question of a vacancy at Constantinople, but Lord Dufferin only went to Rome for a short period, and this, it is understood, expires in the course of a few months. It is possible that his Excellency may be persuaded by Lord Salisbury to remain, but if not the appointment would suit Sir Henry Wolff exceedingly well. Even if there is no immediate chance of his receiving a post in Europe, I am assured that Sir Henry will not return to Teheran.

Young Mackenzie, the "walk" clerk of the Bank of Scotland, whose case was stolen from him at the National Provincial Bank on Monday, is a son of the late Major Mackenzie, and a grandson of Mr John Mackenzie, of Edinburgh, one of the directors of the Bank of Scotland. He has only been in the London office for a few weeks, and did not wear the usual long chain attached to his "case" and fastened round his waist. Many of the young gentlemen of the banking profession seem to have a rooted objection to this badge of office, and avoid wearing it if possible.

The negotiations which have been going on for some time between the Board of Trade and several of the railway companies concerning the provisional order containing the new schedules of maximum railway rates have been of a most amicable nature. Indeed there is every probability that there will be little or no dispute as to some of the classifications. Of course, by the new rates the revenues of the companies will suffer, for it is anticipated that there will be a material reduction in the carriage rates of smaller parcels. In the new schedule there will be provision for charging for any fraction of a ton, a slight extra allowance however being made to the companies for the handling of each parcel.

The Bill limiting the duration of speeches in Parliament is brought in by Mr Atkinson, who has the assistance of Sir Roper Lethbridge. The Bill decrees that, immediately after the passing of the Act, no Privy Councillor in either House shall speak above half an hour. He did not add that for members not being Privy Councillors the time of their oration is to be limited to a quarter of an hour. In each case the Clerk of the House is to make a note of the exact moment at which the member caught the Speaker's eye, and at the end of half an hour for Privy Councillors, and at the end of a quarter of an hour for others, he is to ring a bell. Mr Atkinson is full of hope for the future of his Bill, a condition in which he is supported by Lord Denman, who has promised to see it through the House of Lords.

The Shakespeare's Birthplace, &c., Bill, which has passed the Chairman of Committees in the House of Lords as an unopposed Bill, seeks to vest in trustees certain lands and properties in Stratford-on-Avon, including Shakespeare's birthplace, to provide for the maintenance in connection therewith of the Shakespeare Library and Museum, to set at rest doubts concerning the validity of the deed conveying the property in perpetuity to the Corporation, and to give powers to receive fees and to provide that the trust shall, among other things, be empowered to acquire houses and lands of national interest as associated with the names of Shakespeare, his wife, or his parents. The Bill, therefore, though of limited local proportions, is really one of universal national interest.

The London Conciliation Board inaugurated by the Chamber of Commerce is now fully organised. It is composed of twelve representatives of employers and twelve of employed, and also two members elected as regards Sir John Lubbock by the employers' representatives and as regards Mr Charles Fenwick, M.P., by the labour representatives. Forty-eight trades unions have joined in constituting the board. The 213 trades concerned are classified under twelve heads, each of which returns one member to the Board. They are classified as follows:—Building, cabinet and furnishing; carmen, coach, tram, and 'bus; clerks, shop assistants and warehousemen, clothing; gas, coal, and chemical; leather, metal, printing and paper, provision and food, railway, shipping. This Board is to work in conjunction with separate Conciliation Boards for each trade. The scheme is thus complete, and it only requires the exercise of mutual tolerance by employers and workmen to totally abolish strikes.

The contemplated raid on the Shetland Islands has been abandoned. It thus happens that the auk family has momentarily escaped the danger that threatened it, and all lovers of our wild birds must rejoice at the announcement. But while thankful for the failure of the "oological expedition," there should be no cessation of vigilance on the part of those who desire to permanently check depredations of a similar kind. Three northern members—Mr A. E. Pease, Colonel Dawnay, and Sir Edward Grey—have already backed a Bill which is intended to amend the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880. In addition to several other changes, it will seek to include within its scope eggs of all the rarer species of birds that frequent our country, as well as on the rocks and around our coast. The proposed legislation is only well timed, but commendable, and a effort should be made to carry it to a issue.

## 200 CHINESE ON A BURNING VESSEL.

ALL LIVES LOST.

According to advices received by ... Francisco from Australia, the ... that by the burning of the ... Wuhu 200 Chinese lost their lives.

## MURDER IN A TRAIN BY A MA...

A palace car attached to the ... Louis, Iron Mountain, and Southern ... bound from St. Louis to Little Rock ... day the scene of a remarkable tragedy ... train was leaving Baskin ... sitting in a car suddenly drew a re... it at Isidore Meyer, a traveller ... who had just entered the train ... stantly. Conductor Leech, who was ... form of the car, hearing a shot ... stop the train, when the man turned ... him, shooting him in the head ... upon the platform dead. The ... seized with panic and rushed from ... a number of men soon arrived ... murderer. The man has proved ... Greater, of Vincennes, Indiana ... ago developed symptoms of ... escaped from his keepers. He ... Texas at the time of the tragedy.

## A TRAIN FALLS OVER A BRI...

A railway train fell from a ... bridge yesterday near Newton, ... persons being killed and three ... The train was running at a high rate ... the time, and it is alleged that the driver ... drinking.

## LABOUR REPRESENTATION.

(To the Editor of the North-Eastern ...)

SIR,—I was very pleased ... man's" letter and think it is ... tion of all working men who ... selves above their present position ... when so many working men have ... votes, their power, could they be ... act unitedly, would almost be ... the gentleman spoken of by ... make an excellent labour repre... that practical knowledge of labour ... most professional politicians ... Hoping that this excellent suggestion ... into practical effect.—I am, yours ...

Middlesbrough, February 17, 1891.

## BEECHAM'S PILLS IN COURT.

An action (Beecham v. ...) ... Friday, the 13th of February before Mr ... Romer in the Chancery Division of the ... of Justice, and was brought by the ... proprietors of the well-known med... the defendant, a commercial traveller ... ham, from selling pills as "Beecham's" ... they were not the pills manufactured ... plaintiffs. Mr Haldane, Q.C., ... for the plaintiffs, and Mr ... fendant.—The plaintiffs called ... nesses to prove their case ... only was called to deny their ... the conclusion of his evidence ... that he disbelieved him and ... witnesses.—The defendant ... dressed the Court. Mr Justice ... judgment, said he would not ... already stated as to his view of the ... was a clear case of fraud ... fendant of pills as Beecham's ... manufactured by them. The ... tion to restrain him from selling ... pills, or Beecham's patent pills ... factured by the plaintiffs. There ... enquiry as to damages, and the defendant ... the costs of the action.

## TWO CHILDREN DROWNED NEAR YORK.

Yesterday an inquest was held at ... Lock House by Mr Henry Wood ... respecting the death of two children ... Roots and Violet Edith Eleanor Roots ... years and one year respectively, who ... under very sad circumstances ... noon. From the evidence it appeared ... mother and three children drove ... trap. Mrs Roots was driving ... when they got near to the lock ... aged five, to get out of the carriage ... lock-keeper, Mrs Ireland, of ... The boy, however, was afraid ... on account of a goat that ... near. The mother thereupon ... and drew the pony a little ... so that she could open the gate ... appeared to shy at something ... backing, and despite all the efforts ... prevent it it eventually reached ... lock, and the carriage and ... water. Both the children were ... mother, who had got hold of the ... riage, thus kept herself afloat, and ... her husband, who, hearing screams ... the scene.—Dr. Wright gave ... after which a verdict of "Accidental ..." was returned, and the jury recommended ... lock and its approaches be better ... and that more barriers be erected.

## THE FATAL FIRE NEAR HARTLEPOOL.

A SHOCKING SIGHT.

Last night Mr Settle held an ... Seaton Hotel, Seaton Carew, West Ha... the body of John Feeney, aged ... reported in these columns was ... a granary at Hunter House Farm ... Elstob.—The evidence of William ... labourer, showed that the deceased ... employed by Mr Elstob, was under ... drink on Tuesday when he ... not start, and went away saying ... to South Shields. He was seen ... day, however, by a fisherman ... Harrison drinking at the Seaton ... stated that deceased was in the habit ... the granary at the farm, and was ... smoking.—Captain Scott, of the West ... Fire Brigade, said that, having been ... one of the labourers was in the ... the granary, he made a search for ... as he possibly could, and ultimately ... suspended between the joists. The ... the left foot burnt completely off ... were protruding almost to ... body was dropped down on ... removed to the outbuildings, where ... over to P.C. Crabb. The remains ... charred.—A verdict of "Death from burning" was returned, and the ... mented Captain Scott on the prompt ... by the Fire Brigade. The ... minutes after the alarm, a distance ... miles from West Hartlepool. Captain ... plied that this was due to the new ... three boys now being located at the ... Deceased was a single man, and had ... district over 20 years.

## MIDDLESBROUGH TRADES COUNCIL.

At last night's meeting of this body ... Derwent (Typographical Society) ... was resolved to request the Middlesbrough ... Committee to receive a deputation ... Trades Council with regard to the ... additional facilities for the work... travel to and from work by the ferry ... ported that the collection at Sunday ... tion in behalf of the Scotch railway ... furnace men amounted to £15 ... ordered to be equally divided, the ... the expenses of advertising.—On the ... WILLIAM SMITHSON (Moulders) ... GEO. CATHEY (Seamen and Firemen) ... solved (only three delegates ...) ... petition in favour of ... letter was read from Mr ... ing the Council to take ... pointing out the excessive hours ... rate of mortality amongst those employed ... hotels, &c.—Some discussion took ... ference to a proposal to petition ... Hayne's Bill providing that ... coroners shall be elected by County ... Councils. Much stress was laid upon ... position of coroners holding inquests ... accidents at works with which they ... as officials and shareholders, and it ... obtain as many signatures as possible ... for the Bill.—Mr CATHEY (local ...) ... Seamen and Firemen's Union ... appeal on behalf of the members of ... strike at Cardiff, and explained the ... affairs.—A resolution expressing sympathy ... the movement, and requesting the ... bring the matter before their respective ... was passed.—Mr WILLIAM JACKSON ... Carpenters' Society) moved a resolution ... tion of contract letting by public bodies ... of which was to ensure that all contracts ... into by the Town Council, School Board ... public bodies should contain clauses ... the union rate of wages should be paid ... employed under such contracts.—The ... cussion of the matter was left over till ...

CURES OF BRONCHITIS, COUGHS AND COLDS BY DR. LOCOCK'S PULMONIC WAFERS.—From Mr ... Prospect-row, Birmingham:—"For years I have recommended them and never known them to fail ... Asthma, Consumption, Bronchitis, Gout, Rheumatism, and all Hysterical and Nervous Complaints ... relief and a rapid cure is given by Dr. Locock's WAFERS, which taste pleasantly. Sold by all Druggists at 1s 1½d and 2s 9d per box. Beware of counterfeits. ADVT.

## THE IMPRISONMENT OF MESSRS O'BRIEN AND DILLON.

Messrs John Dillon and William O'Brien, M.P.'s, have been visited in Clonmel Gaol by the Mayor of Limerick, Alderman Riordan, and another magistrate. The visitors found Mr O'Brien in an ordinary prison cell. He made no complaints, and stated that his health was as good as ever. With Mr Dillon the case was different. He was at the time in the prison hospital, to which he had been removed by the doctor's orders. Mr Dillon stated that he was in his usual health, but the visitors thought he looked pale and delicate.

REMOVED TO GALWAY.

Mr John Dillon, M.P., and Mr Wm. O'Brien, M.P., were this morning removed from Clonmel Gaol to Galway. They were taken from Clonmel at 7 o'clock in a saloon carriage attached to a special engine. As the train passed Tipperary at 7.30 a cheer was raised by a few persons who had become aware of the removal of the prisoners. The remainder of the sentence will be completed at Galway.

## THE FACTORY AND WORKSHOPS ACT.

SIR HENRY JAMES'S BILL.

In the House of Commons yesterday petitions in favour of Sir Henry James's Factory and Workshops Act (1878) Amendment Bill were presented from a considerable number of districts in Lancashire. In moving the second reading of the Bill, Sir Henry James detailed the steps by which the Bill had grown out of an agitation, set on foot some years ago by the textile operatives of Lancashire and Yorkshire, with respect to the presence of steam in factories. The chief points aimed at by the operatives were that better provision should be made for the sanitary condition of the factories, that fire should be more carefully guarded against, that dangerous machinery should be more carefully fenced, and that there should be greater facilities for ascertaining the amount of wages due to the operatives on the piecework system. It was also desired that there should be a minimum penalty fixed in cases where offences had been committed against the Act, since there was a prevalent idea that on occasions merely nominal fines had been inflicted. After conceding points as to ventilation and the payment by piecework, he insisted that the questions raised in the Bill were not adequately dealt with in the measure of the Government, whom he urged to give their support to his proposals, and so prevent from falling into the hands of interested agitators the operatives who now complained, and whose demands must be met sooner or later. Unless that was done the responsibility for the result would be theirs.—Mr Oldroyd, in seconding the Bill, urged the desirability of referring it to a Select Committee, which could adequately deal with the many technical points involved. He expressed satisfaction with many of the modifications which the right hon. gentleman the member for Bury had intimated his willingness to introduce, and thought there need be little difficulty in accepting the proposals securing better sanitary conditions and precautions against dangerous machinery.—Mr Caleb Wright, speaking from seventy years' experience of the spinning trade, asked the House to pause before agreeing to legislation which would benefit neither the employer nor the employed. He suggested the reference of the Bill to a Select Committee.—Mr Byron Reed advocated an increase in the number of factory inspectors from among working men, and generally supported the Bill.—Mr John A. Bright also approved of the measure, which, however, needed further modification in certain respects.—Mr [illegible] objected to several features of the measure and warned the House against vexatious restrictions upon manufacturing enterprise.—Mr Matthews approved of several features of the Bill, but urged that there should be an ultimate appeal from the factory inspector respecting ventilation and the means of escape from fire, and suggested similar arbitration as proposed in the Government measure. He was not enamoured of the principle of minimum penalties, though it was perhaps necessary when an employer broke the law for his personal profit. Regarding particulars of the work, the real grievance of the operatives was that particulars were sometimes untruly stated, that a gross and shabby fraud might be subject to penalties. He was not prepared to oppose the second reading, but he hoped to secure the second reading of the Government Bill before Easter, and refer it to a Standing Committee on Trade. He deprecated reference to the Select Committee, as legislation was needed this year.—Mr Illingworth supported Mr Matthews's attitude.—Mr Addison asked for more inspectors.—After further discussion, the Bill was read a second time, on the understanding that it should be sent to the Grand Committee on Trade.—Sir Henry James seemed disinclined to accept Mr Matthews' suggestion that he should practically abandon the Bill and move any necessary amendments to the Government measure, and urged the Government to send both Bills to the Committee.

## MR CORBETT'S BALLAD CONCERT.

There was a large audience in the Middlesbrough Town Hall last night on the occasion of Mr Felix Corbett's third and last ballad concert of the season. The cheaper parts of the hall were very full, but there were vacant seats in the higher priced divisions. Of the three concerts that have been given this season through Mr Corbett's instrumentality, this was calculated to prove the most successful, since the galaxy of talent gathered together for the occasion was of higher rank in the musical world, on the whole, than those of the preceding concerts. Mr Santley and Mr Edward Lloyd have each held for some time undisputed the premier place in his class of vocalists, while there are but few who can claim to rank higher than either Madame Nordica or Madame Hope-Glenn. As the great bass had never sung in Middlesbrough before, his visit was looked forward to with high anticipations; Madame Nordica also sang in the hall for the first time. The other two had previously gained the high appreciation of Middlesbrough audiences. Mr Corbett this time had no apologies to make, and at his first appearance he gave a masterly performance of Mendelssohn's "Rondo" in G major, which was most warmly received. At his second performance—Henselt's "Wiegenlied," and Raff's "Rigaudon"—the audience were so delighted with his delicately beautiful rendering of the latter that they enthusiastically demanded an encore, which was conceded. Madame Hope-Glenn at once created a favourable impression upon the audience with her rich, powerful voice. Her first item was decidedly her best — Handel's recitative "Ariadne" and air "Silence and Sorrow." These were beautifully rendered, and the audience showed its appreciation of the highest class of music exquisitely rendered, by demanding an encore which, however, was not acceded to. Her second song, Ernest Birche's "Harvest Time," was an exceedingly sweet production, but was not received with so great a demonstration of appreciation as her last solo, Boscowitz's "Bella Napoli," which was vociferously encored, the songstress responding with "Down the Burn, Davie," which did not suit her. The great tenor has a beautiful voice—he was the greatest treat of the evening, every one of his songs being magnificently rendered. Mr Lloyd first gave Mendelssohn's "The Garland" and Schubert's "Serenade." An encore was much wanted, but at that early stage of the proceedings a repetition was wisely refused. His second item was a new song by Mr Corbett, "We Cannot Part," words by Edward Oxenford. It was prettily arranged, and admirably sung, and the enthusiastic encore was a compliment to both singer and composer. The audience were rewarded with a great treat when Mr Lloyd responded with the ever delightful "Come into the Garden, Maud." Another delightful item was Mr Lloyd's rendering of "I'll Sing thee Songs of Araby," and in response to a vociferous encore Mr Lloyd gave, perhaps, the finest rendering that has ever been heard in Middlesbrough of Balfe's "When Other Lips." Madame Nordica opened with "Far Greater in his Lowly State" from Gounod's "La Reine de Saba," and as this was rendered she was heard to greater advantage in Verdi's "Merce, dilette Amiche," which displayed the beautiful flexibility of her voice to perfection, and in response to a determined encore "Trust Her Not" was sung with great archness. In the second part Madame Nordica gave a composition of her own, "Enduring Love," and in response to a hearty encore she sang "Have You Forgotten?" though with scarcely such dramatic effect as was given the song by Miss Damian at the preceding concert. Mr Santley was the last of the quartette to make his appearance, and it seemed as if the audience could not have enough of him. Enthusiastic as are our audiences about good singing, few have gained such tremendous applause as Mr Santley won from the house last night. His programme was largely a popular one, and though it may have been a little disappointing to some of the more musical of the audience, to the great bulk it was all that could be desired. "The Wolf" was the first thing which drew an undeniable encore, the old Jacobin song "Here's a Health Unto His Majesty," being given in response with fine effect. At the last Musical Union concert Mr Henschel gave Loëwe's setting of "The Erl King." Mr Santley now gave Schubert's better known setting. After hearing the two we incline to Wagner's opinion that Loëwe's is the better. Mr Santley sang the fine ballad with magnificent dramatic effect, and in response to another rapturous encore, gave another great treat in "To Anthea." His "Vicar of Bray" was also encored, and followed by a very fine rendering of "Simon, the Cellarer." While conceding that Mr Santley's singing is perfect in style, his enunciation so clear and beautiful that every word can be heard with complete distinctness at the very back of the hall, and his dramatic conception unapproachable, we cannot but think, however, that his vocal organ is not quite what it was a decade since. However, he is still a great singer, and it is satisfactory to think that Middlesbrough has heard him before his unrivalled voice has lost its power. One of the greatest treats of the evening was the unaccompanied quartette—Pinsuti's "In this hour of softened splendour"—by the four vocalists, one of the most beautifully balanced pieces of perfect harmony conceivable.

The Editor of the *Medical Annual* for 1890 points out that potash is largely used to add to the solubility of many of the Cocoas at present sold, but in marked contrast, Messrs Cadbury supply an absolutely pure Cocoa of the highest quality; and that the name Cadbury on any packet of Cocoa or Chocolate is a guarantee of purity.—Advt.

## THE ARREST FOR THE WHITECHAPEL MURDER.

SADLER'S ANTECEDENTS.

It will not be for lack of effort on the part of the police if they fail to connect Sadler with the recent murder in Whitechapel, or even with others which have been said to be the work of the mythical "Jack the Ripper." Probably the only trustworthy description of the assassin was that given by a gentleman who, on the night of the Mitre-square murder, noticed in Duke-street, Aldgate, a couple standing under the lamp at the corner of the passage leading to Mitre-square. The woman was identified as one victim of that night, Sept. 30, the other having been killed half an hour previously in Berner-street. The man was described as "aged from thirty to thirty-five; height 5ft. 7in, with brown hair and big moustache; dressed respectably. Wore pea jacket, muffler, and a cloth cap with a peak of the same material." The witness has confronted Sadler, and has failed to identify him. Further enquiry into Sadler's antecedents reveals that he has a wife at Chatham, and he is believed to have been in the Hong Kong police, and also in the intervals of his voyages acted as a tram driver and conductor in the East of London. It has been proved that he was in London on July 17, 1890—the date of the Castle-alley murder, and left two days later in the Loch Katrine for the Mediterranean. His earlier movements have since been traced, for it appears that he gave rightly the Bilbao as the ship in which he had sailed; but there are two vessels of that name on the register. On searching the records of the Spanish steamer Bilbao it was discovered that Sadler had coasted in it between Goole and London from May 8, 1889, to July 7, 1889. He was a fireman on board the s.s. Bilbao, which ran between Goole and London between those dates for the Jescott Company. It has been proved that he was in London on the date of some of the murders in Whitechapel, though not all. He left the Bilbao on her arrival from Goole on the 7th July. Mr Speak, the Goole representative of the Jescott Company, remembers a man of the name being on board the Bilbao, and that he was a fireman, but so far as he knows there was nothing specially noticeable in his conduct. The appended table supplies a record of Sadler's voyages in 1887, 1888, 1889, and 1890—the period covered by the murders, which rightly or wrongly are ascribed to one hand:

SADLER'S VOYAGES IN 1887, 1888, 1889, AND 1890.

| Vessel. | Signed on at | Date of Journey. | Place and Date of Discharge. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Georgian | Newport | Mar. 24, '87 | May 5, '87, Lond. |
| Winestead | Gravesend | Aug. 17, '88 | Oct. 1, '88, Lond. |
| Bilbao | London | May 8, '89 | July 7, '89, Lond. |
| Loch Katrine | London | July 19, '89 | Oct. 1, '89, Lond. |
| Alford | London | Oct. 31, '89 | May 27, '90, Lond. |
| Chimborazo | London | June 16, '90 | July 15, '90, Lond. |
| City of Amst'dm | London | Aug. 22, '90 | Not known. |
| Churton | London | Sep. 18, '90 | Dec. 1, '90, Cardiff |
| Fez | London | Dec. 24, '90 | (?) Feb. 11, '91, Lon. |

A study of this tabular statement supplies extraordinary coincidences. It is prepared from the records stored at the Registry-General for Seamen, a department of the Board of Trade in Lower Thames-street. Whenever a ship sails duplicates of the articles of agreement signed by the crew are lodged at this office, and when the men are paid off their signatures are attached to the original document, which is retained as a permanent record. The dates in the table may be compared with the dates of the Whitechapel murders, from the list of which the discovery of a dismembered trunk of a woman in Pinchin-street, on September 10, 1889, is excluded, as it undoubtedly did not belong to the same series. Also, it may be noted that murders 1 and 2 are not generally believed to have been done by the perpetrator of murders 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, whilst murder 8 is, by some, separated from the rest also and classified as an "imitation" of the preceding atrocities.

1. April 3, 1888.—Emma Elizabeth Smith, 45, had a stake or iron instrument thrust through her body, near Osborne-street, Whitechapel.
2. August 7, 1888.—Martha Tabram, 35, found stabbed in thirty-nine places on a landing in model dwelling known as George-yard Buildings, Commercial-street, Spitalfields.
3. August 31, 1888.—Mrs Nichols, 47, murdered and mutilated in Buck's-row, Whitechapel.
4. September 8, 1888.—Mrs Chapman, 47, murdered and mutilated in Hanbury-street, Spitalfields.
5. September 30, 1888.—Elizabeth Stride, found with her throat cut in Berner-street, Whitechapel.
6. September 30, 1888.—Mrs Eddowes, 45, murdered and mutilated in Mitre-square, Aldgate.
7. November 9, 1888.—Mary Jane Kelly, murdered and mutilated in Miller's-court, Dorset-street.
8. July 17, 1889.—Alice Mackenzie, otherwise Bryant, murdered in Castle-alley, Whitechapel.
9. February 13, 1891.—Frances Coles, throat cut, Swallow Gardens, Royal Mint-street.

A comparison of dates will demonstrate what appears to be an alibi in favour of Sadler in respect to the murder of Nicholls in Buck's-row on August 31, 1888, and also Annie Chapman, in Hanbury-street, on September 8, 1888, and of the double murders on the morning of Sunday, September 30, 1888, in Berner-street and Mitre-square. There were mutilations in three out of these four. On the other hand, Sadler was not at sea at the time of murders one and two and of the dreadful atrocity in Dorset-street on November 9, 1888, and likewise of the Castle-alley murder, as already stated. These conclusions are based upon the records, which show that Sadler was on board the Winestead from Aug. 17 to Oct. 1, 1888, or in other words the period covering four of the Whitechapel murders. He was seemingly in London, however, from May 5, 1887, to Aug. 17, 1888, and he was ashore, too, from Oct. 1, 1888, until May 8, 1889, the Dorset-street murder having occurred on Lord Mayor's Day, 1888, in the interval. He returned to London ten days before the Castle-alley murder, on July 17, 1889.

The vital voyage of the whole series is that on board the Winestead, for if Sadler was in that ship when it left Gravesend on Aug. 17, 1888, he would have been a day's steam, from Venice on Aug. 31, when the Buck's-row murder happened. It will be noted as an extraordinary coincidence that this ship, which left Trieste on Sept. 10, is returned as arriving in London on Oct. 1, and the log clearly shows that it did not come to port until eight o'clock that (Monday) night, that is to say, nearly two days in actual time later than the commission of the Berner-street and Mitre-square crimes, which took place on the Sunday morning, before one o'clock. But there is a singular point about this matter. Messrs Bailey and Leetham, who were the agents, through their clerks, say that it is a most unusual thing for the crew to be paid off on the day of their arrival in port. It is only possible when the vessel arrives at Gravesend early in the day, allowing the captain to bring the necessary papers to town by rail. The ordinary course would be to allow one day to elapse, and the inference is that a ship whose crew "signed off" on October 1st must have entered port on September 30th or earlier. The evidence of the log, however, is indisputable.

## THE ALLEGED WIFE POISONING CASE IN SCOTLAND.

Yesterday at the High Court of Justiciary, Edinburgh, the Kirriemuir murder trial was resumed. Dr. Falconer King, Edinburgh, was examined regarding the analysis he made of the stomach and other organs. The total amount of arsenic he found by careful weighing was 0.71.—Professor Crum Brown said he had examined seven organs, and found arsensic in each in different proportions. The total amount was 0·273.—The agent of the Prudential Insurance Company at Dundee said a policy for £1,000 was issued by the Company in 1889 upon the joint lives of prisoner and his wife. They had previously held industrial policies for £20 17s each.—Mrs Elizabeth Milne, sister of Mrs Webster, said she heard prisoner threaten to blow his wife's brains out, and demanded back her jewellery.—The case was again adjourned.

## MR H. F. PEASE, M.P., AT ESTON.

A meeting was held at Eston last night under the auspices of the Cleveland Liberal Association, Mr Beacham presiding.—In opening the meeting, the Chairman spoke of the importance of the Cleveland workmen becoming payable members of the Liberal Association of Cleveland, for by so doing they would get a standing and position and influence in the Association which they did not now seem to possess. They wanted them to have an interest in the work of the Association, and they wanted the workmen of Eston to be leaders of Cleveland in Liberalism.—Mr H. F. Pease, the member for Cleveland, who met with a cordial reception, said they had not got on very fast since they last met. Ireland was still blocking the way. Nothing in the direction of local self-government for Ireland had yet been attempted by the Government. They were aware that the Tithes Bill had been the subject of considerable discussion, but it was a question which did not very much affect that district. On the Liberal programme for generations had been religious liberty political liberty, and the liberty of the subject as far as was consistent with the maintenance of law and order. At present, notwithstanding the general freedom of every division of religion in England, there still existed a law which prevented the admittance of a Roman Catholic to the high offices of Lord Chancellor of England and the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland. Surely it was time that such a law should be done away with, and that there should be no religious disabilities resting upon any section of the people, whatever their religious beliefs might be. They wanted a Government that was willing to go in the direction for which they, the Liberals, had laboured, of desiring the religious and political freedom of England.—A vote of confidence in Mr Pease was on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr R. Robinson, carried by acclamation.—The Rev. W. S. Prosser, of the National Reform Union, then addressed the meeting.

The Volunteer Prize Shooting.—The National Rifle Association has issued its thirty-first annual report, in which reference is made to the success which attended the first meeting on the ground at Bisley. The sum expended on the purchase of freehold and copyhold land at Bisley amounted to £13,439; the erection of butts, stands, &c., had cost £12,553; and about £1,000 more would be necessary in connection with the acquisition of land at Bisley. The prizes shot for last year were of the value of £12,692.

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## THE STRUGGLE AT SILKSWORTH

NO SETTLEMENT.

THE EVICTIONS IN PROGRESS.

The evictions of the miners at Silksworth Colliery, who have now been on strike for a length of time, was fixed to take place this morning at nine o'clock, but owing to further suggestions of settlement operations were adjourned until mid-day, a meeting of the men being held in the meantime to discuss the new proposals. All preparations for evicting the miners were complete yesterday. About 300 policemen were stationed in the village, and about 70 candymen arrived last night. Colonel White had charge of the evictions. Notwithstanding that the evictions are being carried out there can be no doubt that the threatening attitude of the county and the result of yesterday's ballot at the other collieries owned by the Marquis is having its effect on the Coalowners' Association. They feel themselves to a certain extent cornered, and hence the new negotiations.

[By our own Reporter.]

Silksworth, 10 o'clock.

The life of a Silksworth blackleg cannot be truly said to be a happy one. He is estranged from his fellows by a deliberate action of his own. He is disliked, and he returns the compliment. Rightly or wrongly, he is looked upon as a potent element in the continuance of the present struggle, and he is cordially detested for it, though amongst the male portion of the villagers such detestation is outwardly suppressed. It is said that it is not only the business but the duty of every woman to be cognisant of what implicates and determines her own happiness and that of those who are dear to her. It would seem as if the Silksworth women realised this fact, and were aware of the situation, as well as being of opinion that something was required of them during the present crisis. If the men suppress their detestation the women do not. There is not one, either married or single, who would not, if the opportunity offered itself,

DIG HER DIGITS IN THE FACE OF A BLACKLEG,

and who would not leave the mark of her "ten commandments" on his countenance to remind him of the ignoble part he was playing. The one incident to break the monotony of daily life at Silksworth is the home-coming of these same creatures called blacklegs from their arduous toil in an almost empty pit. This takes place at an early hour of the morning. Early though it may be there is always a good company present to give the blacklegs a cheery if sarcastic welcome. It was to witness this home-coming of the blacklegs that a brother Pressman and myself journeyed from Sunderland to Silksworth at an early hour this morning. Disappointment, however, was awaiting us. On reaching the village we learnt that

THE BLACKLEGS HAD HELD A PRIVATE MEETING

the night before, and in face of the impending evictions this morning they decided not to go to work. They usually descend the pit at midnight, and "ride" at seven o'clock in the morning. It was not generally known that the village was going to be robbed of its usual sight of seeing the non-unionist workers trying the goose step between two strong lines of policemen. At the entrance to the village I passed a group of the strike hands on the look out. "Have the blacklegs gone home yet?" I asked. "No, hinney," replied one of the men, "not yet, but they winnot be lang noo. We are just waiting for the march past." He smiled as he spoke, and put himself in "attention" attitude and mimicked the walk of the police and their charges. It was evident that these men did not know that the "blacklegs" were not at work. The same ignorance was shown in the rows, for the females were on the look-out to give the non-unionists their usual greeting, such as "How do you like the cut of my hair?" "Who swallowed the fox'stail?" and sundry other passwords, accompanied by hooting and cries of "Gis, gis."

## THE COALOWNERS' PROPOSALS REJECTED.

A meeting was held yesterday at the Coal Trade Office between the Committee of the Durham Coalowners' Association and the Miners' Association representatives, at the conclusion of which the following resolution was handed to the latter, who promised to submit it to a meeting of the Silksworth men:—"The Owners' Committee are willing to advise the deputies who joined the Durham Miners' Association after the notices were handed in to pay up their arrears of subscriptions to the present date, on the distinct understanding that they are to be at perfect liberty from this date to be members or non-members of the Miners' or any other association pending the settlement of the general question of deputies between the two Associations." The committee make this proposal in consequence of their earnest desire to prevent the evictions taking place.

THE MEN'S DECISION.

The meeting of the men this morning was of a most enthusiastic character. It was held in the Miners' Hall at Ryhope. The coalowners' proposals were considered, and the men agreed to accept that regarding the arrears, but would not consent to the terms about the deputies being free or not to join the Miners' Association afterwards. This decision settled the question for the eviction, and the army of "candymen" are now actively at work.

A GENERAL STRIKE DECIDED ON.

A meeting of the Durham Miners' Executive Committee was held yesterday afternoon at the Miners' Hall, Durham, for the purpose of deciding whether the whole of Lord Londonderry's pits should be laid idle in case the evictions at Silksworth were allowed to proceed. The result of the ballot taken at Lord Londonderry's collieries was placed before the meeting, there being no fewer than 1,064 in favour of a strike, and 233 against. It was decided that the men's notices should be given in on Monday.

POLICE COURT PROCEEDINGS.

A special sitting of the Sunderland Petty Sessions was held yesterday afternoon, Mr James Laing presiding, when James Richardson, a miner, of Silksworth, was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and assaulting William Clayton, a deputy, and P.C. Nixen; John Simpson, a miner, was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and assaulting P.C. Harkess; and Robt. Carr, also a miner, was charged with resisting the police. Mr E. Bell prosecuted, and Mr Dix, of Gateshead, appeared for the defendants. The court was crowded with miners, and a very large number were unable to be accommodated. After a hearing extending over about four hours, the Bench fined Simpson the costs or seven days for being drunk, and sent him to gaol for one month for the assault on the police. Richardson was fined 5s and costs; for the assault on the police he would go to gaol for one month, and for the assault on Clayton for two months, with hard labour, the sentences to be consecutive. Carr was fined 20s and costs, or 14 days, for resisting the police.

## THE ESTON LOCAL BOARD AND ITS WATER SUPPLY.

NO PURE SUPPLY FOR TWO YEARS.

At yesterday's meeting of the Eston Local Board, Mr Beacham presiding, the Clerk (Mr J. T. Belk) said he had received the interim report from Dr. Barry given in the *North-Eastern Daily Gazette* on Tuesday. The Clerk remarked that the Stockton and Middlesbrough Water Board were pressing on as rapidly as possible in order to get the water from the higher sources, but the work would occupy at least eighteen months or two years before it was completed.—The Chairman enquired if when the new reservoirs were completed they would get a supply of water unmixed with water pumped from the Tees.—The Clerk replied that that object would have been attained, as there would then be the direct gravitation scheme.—The Chairman said he had been informed by a Water Board official that a supply of water independent of the Tees water would not be obtained, and it had never been intended that it should. The reason why the North Riding County Council had not joined with Durham in trying to get a pure supply of water was because the Chairman of the Water Board said to the County Council that in about eighteen months they would be able to get a pure supply for domestic purposes without pumping from the Tees. He (the chairman) thought the Board as an authority ought at once to proceed to get a pure water supply, and he moved that the Clerk be instructed to ascertain from the Water Board whether, when the new reservoirs were completed, they would get a supply of pure water without mixing it with the water from the Tees.—This motion was seconded and adopted.

News Paper Nearly Causes a Collision.—On Tuesday night a passenger train running *via* Atherton between Manchester and Chorley narrowly escaped a serious accident. Three hundred yards from the Chorley station the train came in contact with a roll of paper weighing 200lb. The last carriage but one was thrown off the line, but quickly regained the metals. The brake couplings were broken, and other damage was sustained. No one was hurt.

Dr. White's Composition Essence is the original and only genuine. Refuse all imitations. Insist on having Dr. White's, and see that the registered trade mark, Kompo, is on each label.—Advt.

If your Watch Stops take it to Collingwoods', when you may rely on having it made right. Repairs cheaply, quickly, and well done.—Advt

## HEAVY FAILURE IN LONDON.

A letter is published to-day announcing the failure of Wm. Watson and Sons, Limited, London and Melbourne. The liabilities are estimated at £130,000.

## THE SERIOUS DISPUTE AT CARDIFF.

WARRANT AGAINST THE SEAMEN'S SECRETARY.

A warrant was issued last night against Mr J. H. Wilson, secretary of the Seamen's Union, on a charge of inciting to riot. The warrant has been issued at the instigation of the police. Mr Wilson professes ignorance of the specific act with which he will be charged. In the course of the afternoon Mr Wilson had been served with a summons charging him with having used threats of personal violence towards a female. The summons was served while Mr Wilson was waiting in the corrider of the Town Hall to be called before the Watch Committee as a witness against Police Superintendent Tamblyn, accused by Mr Gardner, of the Seamen's Union, of having used improper language towards unionists. The strike leaders, at a meeting yesterday, resolved to make a public appeal for funds, and to send delegates to different parts of the country to explain to trades unionists the questions at issue. The tramway drivers yesterday joined in the strike movement.

## THE SCOTCH BLAST-FURNACE-MEN'S STRIKE.

DETERMINED STRUGGLE.

There is not much change to report in the condition of affairs at the Scotch blast-furnaces. Since yesterday no evictions have yet taken place, though a number of notices have been served in various districts. The cases come on for hearing before the Sheriff to-morrow. A Press representative interviewed several of the leading masters yesterday, and they told him that they are still open to receive overtures from their own men, but not from outsiders, such as the union officials; but they cannot, under any circumstances, take back their old hands on the old terms. A reduction equivalent to 20 per cent. on these rates, they allege, is absolutely necessary from the present selling price of iron. On the Sunday question, the masters say that the men know perfectly well that the furnaces cannot possibly stand over Sunday, and with regard to the claim for extra remuneration for Sunday work they urge that to pay time and half would be to put a premium on that day's work, and it would be quite clear that to encourage Sunday labour in this way would be defeating the real purpose of the Sabbatarians. Regarding the recognition of the men's union, the masters affect to believe that the union is subsidised by North of England ironmasters. On the whole, the ironmasters indicate that they are really indifferent as to opening up their furnaces again at the present juncture, but they are willing, should they get sufficient men, to keep two or three furnaces blowing on the conditions stated. This latter statement, however, seems scarcely consistent with the strenuous efforts they are now making to defeat the men's organisation. On Tuesday at Coltness Ironworks, Newmains, a body of Poles, who had been drafted into the works on the previous night, were engaged, along with several old hands unconnected with the union, in preparations for putting No. 8 furnace in blast. Yesterday afternoon another body of Poles, comprising 10 men and 2 women, arrived in Wishaw from Mossend, and were on their way to Coltness Ironworks, two miles distant, when they were met by a crowd of the Coltness and Shotts furnacemen, who were going towards Cambusnethan with the view of holding a meeting. The Poles were persuaded to turn with the others to the place of meeting. Here they were prevailed upon to leave the district by the next train. This development of the dispute has caused considerable excitement in the district. The strike, which has been of such a stubborn, prolonged nature, has cost the workmen connected with the production of pig iron alone between £50,000 and £60,000. This is altogether irrecoverable. But this is not all, for a great many other trades have been affected by the prolonged strike, engineers, boilermakers, smiths, and all the men engaged in the manufacture of the by-products of the iron manufacture, such as ammonia, &c.

## PRIMITIVE METHODIST PROGRESS AT STOCKTON.

THE FOUNDATIONS OF A NEW CHAPEL.

This afternoon the foundation-stones were laid of a new chapel to be erected in Bowesfield-lane for the Primitive Methodists of the south-west district of Stockton, who at present are worshipping in Bowesfield-lane Schools. The site is at the junction of Westbourne-street and Bowesfield-lane, and the new building will take the place of a wooden chapel, in which services have been held for ten years past. The front elevation is in Bowesfield-lane, and will be Renaissance in character, being built of red pressed brick, with stone dressings, and the windows fitted with cathedral tinted glass. On the ground floor there is a minister's vestry, and the interior of the chapel is 40ft. by 50ft., by 27ft. in height, and has galleries around three sides, resting on ornamental iron columns. There is also a large organ chamber behind the rostrum. The seating and rostrum will be of pitch pine. The front of the gallery will be white and gold, and the interior will also be relieved by plaster cornices and enrichments. Special precautions have been taken against panic, all the doors being made to open outwards. The chapel will seat about 500 persons. The site was not large enough to allow of a schoolroom being built behind the chapel, and the trustees have therefore had to accept a basement school. The disadvantage of this arrangement has been somewhat neutralised by sloping the ground surrounding the building, so as to secure ample light and air. The schoolroom is 40 feet by 29 feet and there are in the rear seven class-rooms, together with an apartment containing provision for heating water for teas, and also for heating the chapel. The main entrance to the school-room is from Westbourne-street, with a subsidiary entrance for teachers from the rear of the building. The present undertaking is estimated to cost £2,228, exclusive of the site and the boundary walls. The architect is Mr T. W. T. Richardson, M.S.A., of Stockton, and the contractor is Mr John Cook, also of Stockton. It is expected that the building will be ready for occupation in December. At the ceremony of this afternoon a large number of Primitive Methodists were assembled. The foundation stones were laid by the Mayor (Mr R. H. Appleton), Alderman J. Richardson, J.P., and Mr Robt. Clapham (Yarm). Sir Horace Davey, Q.C., M.P., had also promised to lay a stone, but at the last moment he found himself unable to be present and sent a cheque for £10 10s, in addition to £10 previously subscribed. The stone was laid in his name by Mr Joseph Robinson, one of the principal standards of Primitive Methodism in the town. The President of the Primitive Methodist Conference (Rev. J. Hallam, of Newcastle), the Rev. G. H. Beeley (Stockton), the Rev. C. T. Coulbeck (Hartlepool), the Rev. W. M. Kidman, and Alderman F. Sanderson, J.P., also took part in the ceremony, an extended report of which will appear in this week's *Stockton Herald.*

## Coursing.

WATERLOO (ALTCAR) MEETING.

Although fears were entertained this morning that we should have a repetition of the fog of yesterday, another big crowd journeyed out to Hill House, which was the meeting place this morning. The fog was somewhat dense at ten o'clock, whilst there had also been a sharp frost during the night. No hindrance was, however, experienced on this account, as the atmosphere was very moist, and signs of the visitation were soon dispersed. After waiting for some time it was seen with satisfaction that the sun was forcing his way though the vapour, and soon afterwards the mist which enveloped the Carrs rose sufficiently to admit of a start being made. The crowd then moved into Monk's Carr, where the first brace of dogs were placed in the slips at eleven o'clock. The light was not very good, and a by no means perfect view of the coursing could be obtained. Hares came to hand rather slowly at first, and little progress was made.

WATERLOO CUP.

I (continued).

Sweet Home beat Bieseger.
Barere beat Mespilus.
Cagliostro beat Lord Brunswork.
Not Out beat Thropton.
Harrisie beat Short Splice.
Black Girl beat St. Michael.
Jolly Mystery beat Nockninny Boy.
Faster and Faster beat Hobart Town.
Vale House beat Donald O'Kane.
Lady Nairn beat Chatham.
Beverage beat Windaway.
Netherwitton beat Glencoe.
Lord March beat Glenmahra.
Romery beat Welsh Gem.
Donald Graham beat Sam Morgan.
Bovril beat Gus Harris.

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Green Hat, a bye.
Fitz-Fife, drawn.
Smack beat Gwenna.
Button Park beat Arpasia.
Mentra Gwen beat Clyde Spray.
Fullerton beat Rhymes.

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

I (continued).

Sweet Home beat Besieger. 5 to 4 on Sweet Home, who led three lengths, and running a nice trial, was always in front, and the winner finished up a smart performance with the death.

Barere beat Mespiles (1). 6 to 4 on Barere. After an undecided Barere led two lengths, and well beat Mespilus in a trial of average length.

Cagliostro beat Lord Burnswark. 11 to 10 on Cagliostro, who just gained the turn, and he won a lengthy course nearly all one way, the winner eventually pulling his hare down in fine style.

Not Out beat Thropton. 11 to 4 on Not Out. The non-favourite just gained the turn, but he rushed about a good deal, and was easily beaten. Not Out, however, did not run the course any too well.

Harrisie beat Short Splice. 5 to 4 on Short Splice. The non-favourite led a good three lengths, and gave Short Splice a rare thrashing.

Black Girl beat St. Michael. 5 to 4 on Black Girl. St. Michael led by four lengths, but he fell heavily at a gate way, and was afterwards outworked by Black Girl.

A destructive fire occurred at the Alexander Mills, Batley, last night, by which damage to the extent of £10,000 was done.

How to Save Money.—Send your Umbrellas to R. A. Watson, The Hatter, to be re-covered; prices from 2s 6d. Satisfaction guaranteed. F. H. O.—Advt.

Good Luck.—Buy your Wedding Ring from Poole, Middlesbrough, and ensure an elegant present to every purchaser.—Advt.

Colman's Sinapism.—The Improved Mustard Plaster, three for seven stamps. All chemists and grocers. Colman's, 108, Cannon-street, London.—Advt

## Football.

Four of the most powerful clubs in England are left in for the semi-finals of the Football Association Cup. The weakest of the lot are West Bromwich Albion, exholders of the trophy.

The Renfrewshire Cup has gone to the St. Mirrens. They were pitted against Port Glasgow, who made a plucky stand, but the Saints were at their very best, and won by 4 goals to nil. This is the fourth time they have won the cup since its institution in 1879.

Dumbarton won their county final on Saturday, beating the Vale of Leven by 4 goals to 1. Had they played against the Hearts as they played against the Vale the Scottish Cup would have been theirs too.

The Aberdeenshire Cup has been won by Orion, who beat Caledonian on Saturday somewhat easily.

Stockton, by their splendid win over Ironopolis, are almost certainties for the Cleveland Professional Cup. They play well on the Middlesbrough ground, where, no doubt, the final will be played. Darlington can also play a good game on this ground, but Stockton should lay themselves out to win.

The final tie between the Middlesbrough Swifts and Port Clarence should be a close affair on Saturday.

Middlesbrough journey to Sunderland on Saturday to play their return League fixture with the Albion.

Ironopolis are doing well out of Cup ties this season even if they have not landed the much-coveted trophies for which they have battled. Their share of the gate on Saturday was £113, and Stockton's moiety will be considerably over that, as they take the covered stand receipts.

There will be quite a Derby Day at South Bank on Saturday, when Stockton pay that town a visit. The Stocktonians are determined to make up for those two draws played at Stockton, but the Bankers are hard nuts to crack on their own ground.

Nat Walton, the Blackburn Rovers gentlemanly and accomplished inside left winger, had a bumping benefit on Monday, when the Rovers beat Everton by 2 goals to 1.

The game between Middlesbrough and Newcastle East End last Saturday was a very tame affair, but the Bear fund will receive a nice addition in consequence of the handsome conduct of the Middlesbrough Executive. Quite 3,000 spectators must have been present.

League v. Alliance was the bill of fare on Saturday, and the League won the day all along the line. There was no mistake about the victory. All the Alliance clubs were beaten pointless. Indeed, it is not a little remarkable that none of the four teams that were wiped out of the competition scored a single goal.

The gates in the four English Cup ties on Saturday hold the record for a similar stage of the competition, which shows that this class of game is more interesting than ever, for the teams are now more evenly matched. The amounts were:—

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| Wednesday v. Albion | £425 |
| Notts v. Stoke | £411 |
| Sunderland v. Forest | £373 |
| Rovers v. Wolverhampton | £323 |
| Total | £1,532 |

A writer in the *Athletic News* says Sunderland have got further in the Cup Competition than any club in the North has ever done. Middlesbrough reached the semi-final several years ago, and were only knocked out by the narrow margin of one goal by the Old Etonians, at London.

Auckland defeated Port Clarence last Saturday by 2 goals to none, and on Saturday next they meet Sunderland A to decide which of the two shall enter the final round of the Durham Association Cup Competition. The Auckland boys will have to improve very considerably in their shooting at goal or the Wearsiders will defeat them.

Darlington, who are looked upon as almost certain to carry off the Durham Cup, tackle Gateshead N.E.R. in the semi-final round on Saturday, and should come out of the ordeal with flying colours.

St. Augustine's made a most plucky struggle against their rivals Darlington on Saturday, and the score of 3 to 1 scarcely gives a true idea of the play. The Saints only want a few enthusiastic followers and financial support to raise them from the low position into which they have fallen.

Middlesbrough are still awaiting the arrival of that much-talked-of centre forward player. Should he come this week he is qualified to play in the League match against Sunderland Albion on Saturday, which match the Tees-side club is going to make a tremendous effort to secure.

Mr M. P. Betts has expressed the opinion that the time has arrived when the Football Association might in the interests of all sections of its body institute two Cup competitions, one for the amateurs and another for the professionals. He has suggested that the amateurs should play amongst themselves for their Cup, and the professionals do the same, and when these had been won the winners should come together and play a match for the present Challenge Cup.

The question of Allan's residential qualification when he played for Middlesbrough against Stockton was again discussed at last night's meeting of the Cleveland Football Council. During an interesting discussion Mr Albert Borrie pointed out the absurdness of bringing forward the subject after the game in which Allan had played had been long past. Under such a conditon of things Ironopolis could at any time between now and the final raise the question of the qualification of any of the Stockton players. The Council decided that Allan had not the residential qualification when he played against Stockton, as he was then residing at Newcastle.

The Council considered the grievance of Linthorpe Wanderers against Redcar, Kirkleatham, and South Bank Wanderers' clubs having failed to keep their engagements. Redcar were ordered to refund the Linthorpe team their railway fares or play the return match. Kirkleatham, it was stated, had arranged for another date, and the South Bank Wanderers could not be dealt with, as the club had broken up.

Eli Todd, of North Skelton, asked the Council to use their influence in securing his re-instatement as an amateur, but that body thought Todd should lay his case before Mr Craven, the divisional representative on the English Council.

The Middlesbrough ground has been selected as the venue of the Cleveland Professional final, to be played on March 21, when the Stockton and Darlington clubs will be the competitors.

The Cleveland Council have not picked the strongest available team to represent them against Northumberland at Middlesbrough on Saturday week, but the players chosen should account for the Tynesiders. The team is:—Goal, McLaughlin (Stockton); backs, Shaw (Stockton) and Elliott (Ironopolis); half-backs, Waller (Middlesbrough), Chatt (Stockton), and Rothwell (Stockton); forwards, Wilson (Middlesbrough), Gray (Stockton), Roberts (Stockton), Strachan (Stockton), and Stott (South Bank).

The Council did not draw upon Darlington or the 'Nops, except for Elliott from the latter club, as they play a League fixture. Kay, of the Saints, was chosen reserve custodian, but it is very unlikely that he will be called upon. The Middlesbrough Club have a friendly on with West End at Newcastle on the 28th, so that Waller and Wilson were the only two players taken from its ranks. Stockton have no match for that day, hence the selection of seven of their team.

Mr Secretary Reed said the players taking part in the game were wishful to be presented with caps, and last season several wished to retain the new jerseys loaned them by the Association. It was agreed to give only an amateur player the privilege of retaining his jersey (or shirt); the question of providing caps being promptly snuffed out with the following remark from Mr Howcroft: "You will be giving them a suit of clothes next."

Last night a meeting of the junior football clubs in the County of Durham was held at Durham, when resolutions were passed asking that junior clubs should be represented on the County Committee on questions relating to junior cup ties and junior club business generally; also that the committee be asked to provide medals to be played for by second teams of the junior clubs, and the junior clubs pay an extra entrance fee; and finally that they be asked to consider the limited time that junior clubs had to qualify their men in, and that the number of matches be reduced from five to three.

The draw for the semi-final round in connection with this year's competition was made last evening at a council meeting of the Football Association. It will be noticed that the two favourites, Sunderland and Blackburn Rovers, have steered clear of each other. The draw resulted as under:—

Sunderland v. Notts, at Sheffield. Referee, Mr J. C. Clegg; umpires, Messrs W. H. Jope and R. E. Lythgoe.

Blackburn Rovers v. West Bromwich Albion, at Stoke. Referee, Mr C. J. Hughes; umpires, Messrs S. W. Widdowson and R. J. Smith.

To be played February 28th. Kick off at 3.30.

It has been decided to play the International matches as follows:—England v. Scotland, at Blackburn on April 4th; England v. Wales at Sunderland, on March 7th; and England v. Ireland, at Wolverhampton, on March 7th.

The English Association last night gave Ironopolis leave to play a benefit match in aid of the Bear fund, and the proceeds of their match against Rotherham Town on Saturday will be so devoted.

FOOTBALL MADNESS AND DRINK.

*(To the Editor of the North-Eastern Daily Gazette.)*

Sir,—In your last Friday's issue a letter appeared on "Football Madness," by one who signs himself "A Disgusted One." The writer concludes his letter by saying that "while the football for an hour and a-half keeps men from the dram shop, they rush off after the match is over to make up for lost time." No one except a person greatly prejudiced in favour of football can deny the fact that this modern mania is encouraging drinking. I am credibly informed that some of the professionals in this game who have distinguished themselves are paid by certain drinksellers to spend their Saturday nights at the public-house to draw custom. One person attended his club at one of these houses, and declared that the revelry and devilry of that night's debauch were appalling. How Christian professors or even moral reformers can patronise and encourage this system passes my comprehension. I remember reading in your own paper a report of the Carlinhow football drinkers, and a publican gave evidence that they were his best customers. I am acquainted with young persons who have been brought up in the Band of Hope, and the children of religious parents, who are going fast to ruin on account of their being entangled in this alluring game. I have no personal interest in opposing this game, but I am moved by a consciousness that in these days, when religion is in a transition state, and our public teachers are undergoing a change, the laxity of the people in matters of morality is waxing worse and worse. The devotees of the football Juggernaut are more numerous and far more truly devoted to an inflated piece of leather than are the worshippers of the true and living God. Lectures, meetings, or anything intellectual, are put aside for this all-absorbing and fearfully growing evil of football. The pulpit is silent, except in its favour; and those who disapprove of it are not prepared to pay the penalty of outspokenness; and the few who dare are but targets for malicious arrows to be shot at. Let them fire, though even cowardly from behind the screens of anonymity. J. Taylor.

1, Cobden-street, Stockton, Feb. 17, 1891.

[We find it difficult to believe that Mr Taylor has not been misinformed regarding the conduct of the professional players. A local authority assures us that no professional could spend his Saturday nights in a public-house "to draw custom" and hope to retain his club engagement.]

A Steamer Smashed to Pieces.—The United States steamer Sherlock on Tuesday struck on the pier off Cincinnati and sank almost immediately. A woman and a child are known to have perished, and it is feared other lives have been lost. The vessel was broken to pieces by the force of the collision.

A Fair Beautiful Skin.—Sulpholine Soap gives the natural tint and peach-like bloom of a perfect complexion; makes the Skin smooth, supple healthy, comfortable. 6d Tablets. Everywhere.—Advt

## This Day's Commercial News.

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| Bank rate (discount) | 3 p.c. |
| Market rate of disct., 60 days' drafts | 2⅝ p.c. |
| Do. do. 3 months | 2⅝ p.c. |
| Do. do. 4 months | 2$\frac{11}{16}$ to 2¾ p.c. |
| Do. do. 6 months | 2$\frac{11}{16}$ to 2⅞ p.c. |
| Loans to bill-brokers, day to day | 2 p.c. |
| Do. do. for one week | 2 p.c. |
| Rate for fortnight, loans to stock-brokers | 2¼ to 2½ p.c. |
| Deposit allowance (banks) | 1½ p.c. |
| Do. do. (discount houses) | 1½ to 1¾ p.c. |

The list of applications for shares in the Securities Insurance Company, Limited, will close this day (Thursday) at four o'clock for both London and country.

The following new business is offered to the public:—Glasgow (Virginia) Town Lands (Limited); capital, £310,000 in 62,000 shares of £5, 61,200 being ordinary and 800 founders' shares. Lists opened Feb. 16, and will close to-day, Feb. 19. Offices, 10a, Coleman-street, London, E.C.

Noble's Cleansing Machines Company (Limited): Share capital, £31,000, in 31,000 shares, 14,550 ordinary, 15,450 deferred, and 1,000 founders' shares, £1 each. Issue of 14,550 ordinary and 200 founders' shares. Lists opened Feb. 16th; will close Feb. 21st. Offices (temporary): 23, John Dalton's-street, Manchester.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

11.20 a.m.

Money in fair demand at 2 to 2½ per cent.; discount rates for three months' bills 2½ to 2⅝ per cent.; money fairly wanted; not many bills offering. Consols steady; money ⅛ up. Rupee paper firm; 4's 1, 4½'s ⅛ up. Home railways irregular, American flat, Mexican quiet, Trunks steady. Foreign bonds better. Mines steady. Nitrates quiet. The principal changes since closing last night are:—Home railways: South-Eastern Ordinary 1, Do. Def. ½, Chatham Pref. ¼ up; South-Western ½, Great Western, North British Def. ½ down. American railways: New York Central ½, Milwaukee, Louisville, ½, Reading ½, Norfolk Pref. ½, Canadian and Union Pacifics, Erie, Denver Ordinary and Pref., Lake Shore, and Northern Pacific Pref ¼, and Central Pacific ½ down. Mexican railways: Ordinary ¼ up. Grand Trunks: First and Second Prefs. ½, Third Pref. ⅛ up. Foreign bonds: Argentine '86's ½, Cedulas B, 1, and J ½, Hungarian Scrip, Italian, and Peru Ordinary ⅛, Spanish $\frac{1}{16}$ up. Mines: Mason and Tinto $\frac{1}{16}$ up.

CLEVELAND IRON.

Middlesbrough.

The firmness reported in the pig iron market during the last few days is fully maintained to-day, and buyers are paying more. Business has been done in No. 3 G.M.B. for prompt f.o.b. delivery at 42/3, and that figure is quoted by most of the merchants, but generally the makers are not quoting as they expect prices to improve. The excellent shipments are strengthening the position of the makers, who are reducing their stocks considerably, and it is also to be noticed that the stock in the public warrant stores after having been continually increasing since September (increasing from 83,000 tons to over 124,500 tons) is now beginning to show a decrease, for it is now 123,109 tons, or 1,415 tons less than a week ago, or only 103 tons more than at the commencement of the month. The stock in the Scotch warrant stores has also declined nearly 6,000 tons during the week, Middlesbrough pig iron shipments have reached 48,139 tons this month so far, against 20,708 tons in January to 18th, and they must continue heavy as long as the Scotch strike lasts. Middlesbrough warrants are at 42/- cash sellers, buyers 1½d less. We understand that the two furnaces now in operation at the Acklam Ironworks, Middlesbrough, are to be damped down for a time, in order that certain extensive repairs and alterations may be carried out. These have been for some time in progress, but a stage has now been arrived at when it will be necessary to have the furnaces standing. The other two furnaces at the works were stopped in the last quarter of last year. The works hitherto have been producing basic iron. A somewhat better enquiry is reported by some of the finished iron manufacturers, and work at the establishments producing railway materials is not quite so scarce as it was. One local firm has secured an order for 12,000 tons of steel rails for the Danish State railways. Messrs Head, Wrightson, and Co., Limited, of the Teesdale Ironworks, South Stockton, have secured one for 4,000 tons of cast iron chairs for Egypt; and the Anderston Foundry Company has to supply 7,000 tons of chairs, also for Denmark. An order for 11,000 tons of rails for Canada has been placed during the last few days, but it appears to have gone to Cumberland, while tenders have this week been sent in for 15,000 tons of steel rails for the great Indian Peninsula Railway. Prices, however, have to be cut so low that there is not much if anything to be made out of the business.

GLASGOW IRON.

Firm. Moderate business done at 46/10½ and 47/- cash, 47/- and 47/1½ one month; closing buyers 46/11½ cash, 47/1 one month; sellers ½d more. Middlesbrough closing buyers 41/10½ cash, 42/- one month; sellers 1½d more. Hematite done at 50/5½ and 50/7½ cash; closing buyers 50/7½ cash, 50/9 one month; sellers 50/8½ cash, 50/10½ one month.

NEWCASTLE FREIGHT.

Freight market quiet, with fewer transactions. Charters include steamers:—Tyne to Christiania, 4/9; Bilbao, 5/-; Lisbon, 6/1½; Valencia, 7/3; Naples, 7/3; Ergastina to Maryport, 9/3. Shipowners complain of delay at Italian ports, making rates unremunerative. Coal firm, several large gas coal contracts being negotiating at about 10/- free on board. Copper stronger at advance of £1. Chemicals quiet, £12 5/- for caustic soda.

MIDDLESBROUGH IMPORTS & EXPORTS.

IMPORTS.—February 18.

Mignonette, Lynn, 550 quarters wheat.
South Tyne, Bilbao, 1,960 tons iron ore.
Alexander Pirie, Aberdeen, 26 boxes candles.
James Groves, Bilbao, 1,600 tons iron ore.

EXPORTS—February 18.

Bull, Grangemouth, 625 tons pig iron, 35 tons alkali.
G.M.B., Grangemouth, 670 tons pig iron.
James Hall, Inverness, 130 tons pig iron, 15 tons salt
Rotterdam, Grangemouth, 590 tons pig iron.
Queen of the Avon, Tyne, 250 tons salt.
Agder, Christiania, 165 tons pig iron, 30 tons anchors and chains, 127 tons manufactured iron.
Elzina, Antwerp, 700 tons pig iron.
Italia, Terneuzen, 420 tons pig iron.
Rapid, Flensburg, 115 tons manufactured iron.

MIDDLESBROUGH IRON SHIPMENTS.

| Date. | Pig Iron. | M'f'd I. & S. | Total Tons. | Date. | Pig Iron. | M'f'd I. & S. | Total Tons. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. | 43,998 | 23,771 | 67,769 | Feb. 10 | 4,795 | 699 | 5,494 |
| | | | | " 11 | 2,515 | 970 | 3,485 |
| Feb. 2 | 4,360 | — | 4,360 | " 12 | 1,090 | 756 | 1,846 |
| " 3 | 5,265 | 186 | 5,451 | " 13 | 4,630 | 400 | 5,030 |
| " 4 | 1,090 | 3,015 | 4,105 | " 14 | 1,970 | 5,416 | 7,386 |
| " 5 | 2,270 | 2,107 | 4,377 | " 16 | 3,300 | 1,446 | 4,746 |
| " 6 | 4,033 | 1,139 | 5,172 | " 17 | 3,746 | 91 | 3,837 |
| " 7 | 4,030 | 1,840 | 5,870 | " 18 | 3,300 | 272 | 3,572 |
| " 9 | 1,740 | 140 | 1,880 | | | | |

LONDON PRODUCE.

Sugar: Pieces steady, fair demand; dried goods and crystals unchanged: French goods quiet; beet quiet, February buyers 13/5¼, sellers 13/6¾; March-April buyers 13/3¾, sellers 13/5¼. Coffee firm; futures steady; Rio, March 76/6, Santos, March 78/6; Havre, March 103¾f. Linseed oil, 21/6. Rape, 27/-. Cotton, 16/3 to 16/6; refined, 19/-. Turpentine, 28/9. Petroleum, 5⅜d to 5¼d.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE.

Sugar steady; No. 1, 18/9; No. 2, 17/9; No. 3, 17/6. Lard quiet, 29/9. Bacon steady, halves 26/6. Petroleum quiet; American, 5¼d. Turpentine steady, 29/3. Resin firm, 4/7½. Cottonseed easy, 20/-. Linseed steady, 23/6. Rape steady, 32/9. Tallow steady, 25/3 to 26/-, beef. Palm steady; Lagos, £24 10/-. Hemp steady. Manilla current £44 spot. Nitrate firm, 8/3. Castor oil steady, 3¼d.

## This Day's Markets.

CORK BUTTER.—Ordinary: Seconds, 117/-; thirds, 91/-; fourths, 72/-. Mild-cured firkins: Fine mild, 123/-. Mild-cured kegs: Fine mild, 117/-. Number in market—66 firkins, 5 kegs, 7 mild.

GLASGOW SUGAR.—Market strong and occasionally rather dearer. The official report is as follows:—"Market continues active, and good business done at fully yesterday's prices."

MANCHESTER COTTON.—The tone of the market is decidedly flat, and buyers holding off, there has hardly been sufficient business done to test prices. Tuesday's quotations repeated. There is no revival in the Eastern demand, and for minor outlets merchants only purchase as wants arise. Yarns continue to drop, but neither shippers nor manufacturers seem at all anxious to enter into further engagement, or anything approaching spinners' terms.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Fair supply and good demand. Trawl fish continues scarce and dear. Turbot are also making very high prices. Plaice, 30/- to 35/-; level, 20/- to 24/-; lemons, 40/- to 50/-; soles, 135/- to 156/-; haddocks, 10/- to 16/-; whitings, 14/- to 20/- per box; turbot, 8/- to 20/-; brills, 3/- to 6/-; ling, 4/- to 5/-; dead, 3/- to 4/-; cod, 5/- to 7/-; skate, 3/- to 4/-; dead, 2/- to 3/- each; hake, 30/- to 50/-; dead cod, 60/- to 80/-; coalfish, 30/- to 40/- per score.

## This Day's Sporting.

SANDOWN PARK CLUB MEETING.

SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Two miles over eight hurdles.

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|---|---|
| Scratch | 1 |
| Poet Laureate | 2 |
| Woodman | 3 |

Five ran.

Scratch made the whole of the running, and won easily by three lengths; a bad third. Codicil was last.

## Shipping, &c.

ARRIVALS AND SAILINGS.

MIDDLESBROUGH.

Arrivals, February 17.—Ouse No. 1 s, Walker, Goole, b; Queen of the Avon, Morris, Tyne, b; Elzina s, De Werdt, Antwerp, b; South Tyne s, Broadhead, Bilbao, ore; Bull s, Bilton, Grangemouth, b; Argus s, Cowey, Bilbao, ore; (18) Kama s, Randall, Bilbao, ore; Rapid s, Holyhuter, Esbjerg, light; Fox s, Anderson, Stockton, part cargo; Sarah s, Buckley, London, old iron; Rotterdam, Scobbie, Grangemouth, b; Glenarm s, Donald, Hartlepool, part cargo; Mignonette s, Richardson, Blakeney, wheat; G.M.B. s, Smith, Grangemouth, b; Tay s, Wilson, Arbroath, machinery; Jubilee s, Sykes, London, wheat; Mennythorpe s, Finn, Hartlepool, b; Italia s, Longstaff, Lowestoft, b; James Hall s, McDonald, Inverness, part cargo.

Sailings, Feb. 17.—Sixty-six s, Truefitt, London, i; Ouse Hopper No. 4 s, Cockin, Goole, slag; Grinkle s, Brett, Sunderland, light; Cairngowan s, Baker, Tyne, ballast; Beneboard s, Keith, Grangemouth, i; Paulette s, Capuis, Terneuzen, iron; (18) Glenlivet s, Meredith, Tyne, light; Elizabeth, Hudson, Sunderland, light; Amsterdam s, Swan, Grangemouth, iron; Britannia s, Smith, Rotterdam, g; Bull s, Bilton, Grangemouth, iron.

HARTLEPOOL.

Arrivals, February 18.—Rose, Stevenson, London, chalk; Princess Royal, Stamp, Whitby, light.

Sailings, February 18.—Jesmond, Morris, Swansea, machinery; Remembrance, Child, Greenwich, c; Emelie, Gronberg, Portsmouth, c; (19) Emma, Gill, Whitby, c; Virtue, Purvis, Whitby, c.

WEST HARTLEPOOL.

Arrivals, February 18.—Daventry, Ethelridge, Liverpool, 1; Ashford, Hoare, Bilbao, iron ore.

Sailings, February 18.—Sweden s, Snowden, Gothenburg, via Blyth, part cargo iron; Mennythorpe s, Moorsom, Middlesbrough, 1; Andalusia s, Shingles, Chatham, g; Glenarm s, Cameron, Middlesbrough, g (19) Luneburg s, Clark, Bayonne, c; Empress s, Cooper, Hamburg, g.

"GAZETTE" SPECIAL REPORTS.

STOCKTON.

Sullivan passed Gibraltar from Poti to Garston 18th.

WEST HARTLEPOOL.

Heighington arrived at Norfolk 18th.
Helmsley arrived at Philadelphia 18th.
Hudson left Newport News 18th.
Wilton left Middlesbrough for West Hartlepool 19th.
Embleton arrived at Fairwater from W. H'pool 19th.
Mary Lohden arrived at Carloforte 19th.
Winnie passed Malta for Alexandria 18th.
Damara left Halifax for London 18th.
Frieda arrived at Bombay from Batoum 19th.
Amanda left the Tyne for Valencia 18th.

## North Country News.

A Boon for the Public the Great [illegible], 3, Railway Crossing.—Advt.

Great Sale at Middlesbrough.—[illegible] forget the great Drapery Sale at Pottage [illegible].—Advt.

Army Bluchers 3s 11d at Great B[illegible] Sale, 3, Railway Crossing.—Advt.

Max O'Rell, Borough Hall, Stockton, to-morrow (Friday), Lecture, "John Bull and Jacques Bonhomme," 3 p.m.—Advt.

Football.—February 21st, Stockton v. South Bank. Kick-off 3.30 p.m. Train leaves Stockton 2.25. Admission 6d.—Advt.

Freeman, Hardy, and Willis, 3, Railway-crossing, the largest Boot Dealers in Great Britain. 150 branches. Note their Great Sale.—Advt.

Reduced rates to America by the magnificent steamers of the Warren Line, Boston, New York, or Philadelphia, £3 10s. Apply Thompson Dickinson, 71, Yarm-lane-road, South Stockton.—Advt.

Crossley Brothers' New Horizontal Otto Engine (without slides) can be seen working any day at Alf. Field's Printing Works, behind Cleveland-terrace, Middlesbrough.—Advt.

Life for Ever.—We cannot live for ever, but life may be prolonged and enjoyed by Harrison's Phosphorised Tonic and Nervine Syrup. See page 4.—Advt.

The Fourth Durham Artillery Volunteers, whose headquarters are at West Hartlepool, had their annual dinner in that town last night, Lieut.-Colonel Cameron, commanding officer, presiding.

The Prospective Vacancy in the Middlesbrough County Council.—At the fortnightly meeting of the Middlesbrough Trades Council last night it was unanimously resolved to nominate Mr James Smith, secretary to the Council, for the prospective vacancy in the Middlesbrough County Council.

Accident at South Stockton.—Yesterday afternoon William Pearey, of Barnes-street, South Stockton, employed as a labourer at the North Yorkshire Ironworks, fell out of a truck from which he was unloading metal, through the giving way of the door, and fractured his arm, also sustaining a severe cut on the head. Dr. Watson attended him.

Sailors' Tea at Hartlepool.—The annual gathering in connection with the Port of Hull Society and Sailors' Orphans' Home was held at Hartlepool last night, the proceedings including a tea, which was largely attended, and a public meeting, presided over by the Mayor (Councillor Nixey).—The annual report, submitted by Mr Squires, the local missionary, showed that there are 25 children in the institution from the Hartlepools, and that the credit balance to the branch was £10.

Middlesbrough Free Library.—At the monthly meeting of the Middlesbrough Free Library Committee yesterday Mr R. [illegible] stated that there was for the first time a slight cash balance in hand, which Messrs Bell Bros., the present treasurers would hand over. There were debts outstanding, however, to the amount of £55. The finances were now in a better condition than they had been for a long time.—Councillor Cosgrove thought there was good hope of saving the Durham-street reading-room yet.

The Trade of the Tees.—The monthly return of the Tees Conservancy Commission showed that the revenue for January was £4,2[illegible] 2s 5d, being a decrease of £91 10s 9d on the corresponding month of last year. This is due to Middlesbrough, which has a falling off of £23[illegible] 6s 7d, while there is an increase in Stockton to the extent of £144 9s 10d. During the month 668 ships, with a tonnage of 151,886, have traded with the Tees, this being, as compared with January, 1890, a decrease of 94 ships and of 4,613 tons. This, again, is due to Middlesbrough, where has declined 95 ships and 10,248 tons.

Labour Demonstration at Stockton.—Last night a meeting under the auspices of the Stockton district of the National Labour Federation was held in the Temperance Hall, Stockton, Councillor Samuel presiding. The Stockton branch numbers over 1,000 members, and at the meeting a resolution was passed recognising the necessity for labour organisation, and calling upon all who were not members of a trade society to enrol themselves in the Federation.—Councillor Foord, of South Shields, advised his hearers not to use against each other the cudgels which they should jointly use against the capitalists and added that it was not wise to say that unless a man was a member of some particular organisation they would not work with him. So long as he was a member of some society they should regard him as a brother.—Mr J. J. Harris, secretary of the Newcastle Trades Council, said that out of seven millions only 1½ millions were enrolled in legitimate trades unions, and there was thus ample scope for the expansion of the Federation.

Alderman Richardson, J.P., on America.—Last night at the Borough Hall, Stockton, Alderman Richardson, J.P., gave some interesting reminiscences of his recent visit to America in connection with the Iron and Steel Institute. He spoke of the generous reception extended by the American ironmasters to their German and English visitors, and gave interesting descriptions of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, with its natural gas supply, saving more than 5,000,000 tons of coal per annum, Chicago, and Johnstown. On the Tariff question, he said Protection was good for countries like Canada and the United States, which, in their present undeveloped state, ought to continue all their productions. But when the production got beyond the wants of the nation, then Free Trade would be resorted to, and it would be a bad day for us when the United States became our competitor in that direction. The McKinley Bill, he said, was a side wind endeavouring to force the Canadians to unite with the United States; and it would require very great judgment on the part of our Government so to hold out inducements to Canada as to cause them to remain with us.—The lecture was illustrated, and the meeting was presided over by the Mayor (Mr R. H. Appleton), the proceeds being devoted to the Stockton Hospital.

Men's Lace Boots 3s 11½d, all leather. Great Boot Sale, 3, Railway crossing.—Advt.

The inhabitants of Stockton and district will save money by making an early inspection of E. Cowley's select assortment of Watches and Jewellery, 131, High-street, Stockton.—Advt

Cowley's Presentation Clocks, Bronzes Silver and Silver-plate, Cutlery Cantcens, all of the Newest designs. 131, High-street, Stockton.—Advt

## Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

DEATHS.

Ball.—On the 17th inst., at Newcastle-on-Tyne, Thomas William, eldest son of H. T. Ball, of Middlesbrough, aged 37 years. 19

Cadle.—Feb. 18th, at Coatham, Herbert, fourth son of Miles and Emma Cadle, aged 34 years. Interment on Saturday, at Redcar Cemetery, leaving residence at 3.15. 20

Jarrett.—Feb. 18th at 14, Albion-street, Stockton, Eliza, widow of James W. Jarrett, aged 53. Interment on Friday at 2.30 p.m. No cards.

Simmonds.—On the 17th inst., at 62, Grange-road, Middlesbrough, Mercy Smallwood, the dearly beloved wife of Captain Simmonds, aged 42 years. Interment on Friday at the New Cemetery, Linthorpe, leaving residence at 3 o'clock. 19

In Memoriam.

Hopps.—In loving memory of Mary Agnes, the beloved daughter of John and Mary Hopps, who entered into rest Feb. 19th, 1890. Dearly loved. 19

[Births, Marriages, and Deaths, when prepaid, are charged 1s 6d each insertion if not exceeding 16 words, and 3d for every additional 10 words.]

Fresh Cut Flowers, Wreaths, Crosses, Dress and Ball Bouquets on the Shortest Notice. W. S[illegible], Florist, Stockton and Middlesbro'. Telephone No. [illegible].

Day-Girl Wanted, 14 or 15 years of age. Apply 5, Leamen terrace, Linthorpe road, Middlesbrough. 19

Dressmaking.—Apprentices Wanted at once. Apply Mrs Fryer, 56, Milbank-street, Middlesbrough. 2

General Servant (respectable) Wanted. Apply Holling's Confectionery, Hartington road, Stockton-on-Tees. 21

General Servant (smart, active) Wanted in small family, where housekeeper and manservant are kept; no cooking; wages £14. Address L4, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough. 20

General Servant (young) Wanted, for family of four in Lancashire. Address all particulars to E11, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough. 19

Girl (respectable) Wanted at once. Apply 4, Hardwicke-terrace, Stockton. 21

Girl (respectable) Wanted, who can wash and iron. Apply 17, Cardigan-street, Hume-street, Stockton. 21

Girl (strong) Wanted. Apply Mrs Gibson, 7, Castlegate, Stockton-on-Tees. 19

Housekeeper Wanted immediately; Catholic preferred. Address Y14, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough. 21

Printer's Turnover Wanted. Apply D. Mackenzie, South Stockton. 21

Salesmen (two, first-class) Wanted; good characters indispensable. Address Box X, "Gazette" Office, West Hartlepool. 25

Youth Wanted as Improver, also, an Apprentice. Apply W. Martin and Son, House Decorators, Harris street, Middlesbrough. 21

Bargains in Safeties.—Three Safety Bicycles, ball bearings, little worse than new, price £9, £8 10/-, and £8. 35, Sidney-street, Stockton. 21

Gentleman Wishes to Share with another Sitting-room, with separate Bed-room. Address Y50, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough. 21

House For Sale, Linthorpe-road: 7 rooms and bath room (hot water); immediate possession. Address W13, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough. 19

Lodgings (comfortable) for Young Man; terms moderate. 14, Park-road, Stockton. 21

Old Boilers (2) Wanted, about 30 feet, by 8 feet or larger, for water tanks. Address, giving full particulars and price, to Messrs Craig, Taylor, and Co., Stockton. 21

Rover.—Genuine £20 Rover For Sale, new last year; will take 12 guineas. 57, Harrington-road, Stockton. 20

Straw Straw! 20 tons or thereabouts of Splendid Oat Straw For Sale. G. E. Watson, Castleton. 21

Upholsterer Wanted. Apply C. Burton, Surtees-street, West Hartlepool. 25

Afternoon Excursion—From the Hartlepools, &c., to SUNDERLAND and NEWCASTLE, on SATURDAY, February 21st. See bills. 30

Bloom, the Watch King, will SELL TO-NIGHT a splendid 40-guinea iron-frame pedal Piano, by best maker; also, Bradbury Sewing Machines, Watches, and Clocks, at half-price. Bloom To-night. Hear him. See and believe. Royal Auction Mart, Boundary-road, Middlesbrough. 19

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1891.

Sale of Superior HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, removed for convenience of Sale to the Granville Sale Room, Middlesbrough, and which WILL BE SOLD by S. LITHGOW on TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

On view Saturday and Monday. Full particulars see catalogues. 20

Samuel Lithgow will SELL BY AUCTION, on TUESDAY AFTERNOON, Feb. 24, 1891, at 4 o'clock, a powerful-toned TWO-MANUAL HARMONIUM, in rosewood case, with 22 stops and 2 knee swells; a first-class instrument, by Alexandre suitable for a chapel or hall.

Granville Sale Room, Middlesbrough.

## CHIPS.

A fashion paper prophesies that the next tint to become fashionable for women's hair will be green.

Stamp collectors should possess themselves if they can of the threepenny post card used for Australia, because it has been withdrawn. The stamp is peculiar, inasmuch as it bears a full-length portrait of Her Majesty.

Professor Edward Hull tells us that in England at the present time we have a stock of coal sufficient for our consumption for no less than 1,000 years. On the other hand, Professor Jevons calculates that 100 years is about the tenure of our coal-fields according to the present rate of increase in the consumption.

Here is an indication of the magnitude of joint-stock company enterprise:—The total amount of paid-up capital, including amounts considered as paid upon vendors' shares of all registered companies having a share capital, and believed to be carrying on business in April, 1890, was £775,139,553. The corresponding amount in 1884 was only £475,551,294.

At Keymer, in Sussex, some time since a pair of robins built their nest in an old shoe which had been thrown away from a neighbouring cottage. It was a curious sight to see the old birds come to the nest, when the little ones at once crowded forward to receive the meat provided for them; when they had eaten this they as quickly returned again out of sight into the toe part of the shoe, and were perfectly quiet until one or the other of the old birds appeared again with a further supply.

A Mexican geographer assures us that all round the North Pole is a region of the richest vegetation, of perpetual light, and a climate like that of the Mediterranean at its best. All the electricity generated by the earth is compelled to take refuge at the poles, because the rapid motion of the earth at the equator, the disturbing effect of internal heat and of storms, will not allow it to settle anywhere else. Hence the aurora borealis. All that is necessary is to construct a railway along the west coast of Greenland as far north as possible, establish a harbour at the northern terminus, and watch your opportunity to strike north of the 80th deg., and then—there you are in a Polar paradise.

A distinguished General, in command of one of the military districts of the United Kingdom, gave instructions to an officer serving under him, who had special qualifications for the work, to prepare a scheme of defence for one of the most important ports under his command. This officer, whose zeal was above suspicion, prepared a very elaborate report, entering upon the most minute details, which he forwarded according to his orders. He heard nothing further about it for several months, until at length it was returned, when he eagerly looked to see what remarks the General had made upon his work. To his disgust, he found nothing, until he arrived at the last page of the report, where was written, "You should have used a wider margin!"

Mahomed's chief standard-bearer in England is Mr W. H. Quilliam, of Liverpool. He is a solicitor by profession, and before he took to propagating Mahomedanism he was known as a local temperance reformer. He paid a visit to Morocco or some Mahomedan country, and became a convert. He could not get anyone to listen to the gospel of Islam at first, but hitched Mahomet on to temperance. Mr Quilliam could easily get an audience to hear a temperance address, so he adopted a plan of dragging in something about Islamism at the end. In this way he managed to get a hearing and a few converts. English Mahomedans now number forty, and have the distinction of being the smallest religious body in the community.

One of the thieves who wait near banks, in the hope of securing by force or fraud some of the gold which customers withdraw, has been admirably foiled by a woman's wit. A young lady, who acted as assistant cashier in an Islington house of business, was sent to cash a cheque for a large amount. When outside the bank, with the money in her possession, she was touched on the shoulder by a man who said he was the bank-manager's son; adding that there was something wrong with the cheque, and he was instructed to take back the bag of money. Fortunately the young woman was equal to the occasion; she declined to surrender the cash, but offered to return to the bank if necessary. Then the would-be thief decamped. Of course the story was a simple invention, but it is of a sort which has often taken in the unwary.

Ten thousand women souse and beat the linen of Madrid in the scant waters of the Manzanares every day. Not an article of clothing is elsewhere washed. No other than these Manzanares lavenderas are permitted to labour as laundresses, and for three miles up and down the stream they work in groups. Each lavendera brings her own huge roll of bread, and perhaps a bit of cheese; and, just before noon, they breakfast in great wooden sheds on salt fish, potatoes and coffee, with a measure of red wine, duplicating this meal as a dinner at four in the afternoon. They eat like animals, and the moment their food is disposed of the tinkle of the guitar is heard, and any kindly disposed passer may dance with them until the thirty minutes allowed them for food and amusement have expired. On these occasions everyone dances, girls of eighteen and women of eighty, and the scenes along Manzanares are very picturesque and interesting.

Perhaps the best known pearl necklace in London is that of the Countess Tolstoi, wife of that sturdy Radical, Mr Philip Stanhope, M.P. The stones are not only large and perfect in shape, but nearly black in colour, a peculiarity which, though some will think it does not add to beauty, is by reason of its rarity exceptionally valuable. The Baroness Henry De Worms, wife of the Under-Secretary for the Colonies, also has a notable necklace—this one of diamonds. There will presently be in the field a new competitor, the contest being the most interesting since the new comer is a connection by marriage of the Baroness De Worms. The necklace is not new, though it has not been seen in London drawing-rooms for some years. It was the property of the late Countess of Orkney, and was a present to her from her first husband, Baron De Samuel, a peer of Portugal. The necklace is in three rows, and contains in all 190 pearls, many of large size. The Countess left the necklace to her son, Mr Arthur De Vahl, and Mrs De Vahl will in the coming season be the envied wearer of the priceless "ropes."

Mlle. Julie Gouraud, a maiden lady, who created a school of literature for young girls, has died at the age of 82. She was for the last twenty-five years editress of the *Journal des Jeunes Personnes*, a rather cleverly managed paper, considering the kind of literature which young girls in France are condemned to. She went as far and high as she could without losing the particular public she addressed in her "causeries" and "esquisses morales." Mlle. Gouraud had a delicious, playful vein which she never lost, and one felt in reading what she wrote that her spirit was a genial and a kindly one. She hated what was commonplace, but she often said that was her stumbling-block as a writer for French girls. Mlle. Gouraud contributed twenty volumes of stories and anonymous novels to the Bibliothèque Rose, from which prizes for girls and school books used to be almost always selected before lyceums for young ladies were set on foot. The *Journal des Jeunes Personnes* was worth a large fortune to the persons who founded it, and continues to be in regard to dividends on the crest of a high wave. The editress did not die wealthy because she gave away most of her earnings.

In a recent case in the Divorce Court it was alleged that the "Banns Book" of the church in which the parties were married had been torn up to light the stove fire. The circumstance has reminded a correspondent of an extraordinary statement made by Mr Moulding, of Toxteth Park, near Liverpool, some three years ago, that he had positive evidence that entries are made in modern church registers, and not signed by the clergyman performing the ceremony. A large number (it is added) are not signed by the bride and bridegroom, and are unattested by the witnesses; some entries are nearly blank, or not complete; others are wholly crossed out, altered, pasted over with paper, or erased by penknife; dates are altered, signatures crossed out, and others substituted. Further, Mr Moulding adds that in an immense number of cases the names purporting to be the signatures of the parties married and their witnesses are manifestly written by one individual. If his information is correct there are registers which do not show where the parties were married. In one district alone there are 426 entries with erasures and errors, and errors without initials, and 165 with the father's name omitted, and in 158 with the father's trade left out. In another district pages are torn out of the register book, and 190 entries have been made that cannot be deciphered by ever s, and some are in pencil.

## QUIPS AND CRANKS.

Census taker: "What is your occupation?" Census giver: "My wife runs a millinery store."

A patent has been taken out by a Kentucky man for a "combined inkstand, pistol-case, and burglar alarm."

"What is your married daughter's name?" "I am not certain. She lives in Chicago, you know and I haven't heard from her since Monday."

Eastern man: "So they caught the murderer?" Westerner: "Yaas." "Have they tried him yet?" "Not yet; ain't had time; they've only got through the lynching."

"How's your family?" "Pretty well, thank you." "Any of your daughters married yet?" "No, and I can't understand why they don't go off; they use powder enough, goodness knows."

Clara's mother (calling): "Clara, Mr Smithers is in the parlour, and says he wants you." Clara (entering parlour, and throwing herself into Smithers's arms): "Oh, Charlie, this is so sudden."

One of the eight commissioners of Cook County, Illinois, says the sun moves round the earth. A second says the world is flat. A third spells "sugar" with an "h." And yet the Chicago papers marvel at the strange happenings in that board.

Stranger (out West): "See here! I want you to arrest those two men over there for forcing me into a game of poker with them and then swindling me." Policeman: "Y'r askin' too much, stranger. I can't arrest them gents. One's th' honoured mayor of this ere city, an' th' other's th' chief of perlice."

Boston Photographer: "Now fix your eyes on this subject." Customer: "Do you wish me to smile?" Photographer: "A gentle smile might be well. Remember what Richter says: 'The happiness of life consists not in single flashes of light, but in continuous serenity.'" "Thank you. That is the idea exactly."

A poetess had begun a poem in uncompromising blank verse on the degeneracy of man; "Man was a noble being once; but he——" And here she was compelled to leave it. A degenerate one came in and took the liberty of helping her forward a little: "Would probably have remained so; but she——"

A Welsh Protestant curate being asked how he managed to preach sermons so far above his own powers of composition, replied: "I have a volume of sermons by one Archbishop Tillotson, which I translate into Welsh, and afterwards retranslate into English, after which the Archbishop himself would not know his own compositions."

"'Tis said that absence conquers love," quoted a husband, in writing home to his wife, from whom he had been some time away. "I hope, dear, it won't be so in your case." "Oh, no," she replied in her next letter; "the longer you stay away the better I shall like you." He had to take it thus umbiguously, as he was afraid to risk asking an explanation.

### A TEARFUL SUBJECT.

The conversation turned on the effect produced on the emotions by pictorial art, when one gentleman remarked: "I remember one picture that brought tears to my eyes." "A pathetic subject, I presume?" "No sir; it was a fruit painting. I was sitting close under it when it dropped on my head."

### A BETTER DIVISION.

Jonas: "Here, I've brought you the bundle of shares you had lost, and have acted like an honest man." Isaac: "Accept my best thanks, good friend." Jonas: "What do I want with your thanks? Aren't you going to give me the legal 10 per cent. as reward to the finder and 5 per cent. for my honesty?" Isaac: "What's that?—15 per cent.? I tell you what—you keep the shares and give me the finder's reward."

### FRESH FROM THE COUNTRY.

A young woman, evidently "from the country," was seen standing with a perplexed air at one of the pillar letter-boxes. She was observed to knock several times on the top of the iron box, and obtaining no response, she passed round to the opposite side, and, raising the cover of the slit in which the letters are placed, applied her mouth to the aperture and called out (or in): "Can you let me have a postage stamp, if you please."

### HONEST WINE.

In Cooperstown they tell a story of an English joker who once visited Fenimore Cooper. Cooper was then the most eminent man in the little town. One day, while Cooper was dining with the Englishman, he poured out some native wine—wine from grapes raised in his own garden. Taking up a glass, and looking through it with pride, Cooper remarked, "Now, Mr Stebbings, I will call this good, honest wine." "Yes, Mr Cooper, I agree with you. It is honest wine—poor, but honest."

### A STRAIGHT VERDICT.

A coroner's jury returned a verdict to the effect that a certain prominent man had died of alcoholism. "Your verdict is absurd," someone said to the coroner. "Why so?" "Because he was never known to drink." "That's a fact." "He never went into a saloon." "You are right." "Then why did you say he died from the effects of alcoholism, when we all know that he was shot?" "That's all very true," the coroner replied, "but the man who shot him was drunk. Don't talk to me, if you please. I understand my business. Deceased was killed by whisky."

### A REVERSIONARY INTEREST.

A pedlar, well known in Highland districts, lately buried his second wife. Being one of those who think it no part of wisdom to embitter the present with recollections of the past, he soon turned from bewailing the dead to addressing the living. He picked out a neighbouring spinster as well suited for being his third mistress, and lost no time in making his desires known. Jenny, it seems, cocked her nose at the offer; and John, leaving her to her fancy, departed, saying, "Weel, weel; a' the warld does not think like you," which was quite true. Before reaching home the pedlar met with a more compliant fair one. Jenny, in the meantime, reflected on the dangerous consequence which would likely result from her pride, and resolved in future to be more kind; alas! in vain. Next day, as the pedlar was passing by, Jenny called him in, and stated her contrition for the hard words of yesterday. John heard her through, then replied: "Weel, weel, I'm owre far on wi' anither ane noo to think o' gaen back; but if she happens to be nae lang-liver, I'll no forget to make you my fourth wife."

### REMEDY FOR BORES.

A well-known official found that his time was frittered away by idle callers. How he secured himself from interruption came about in this way. Walking down the street one day, a well-dressed female in a shop caught his eye, and wondering why the lady tarried so long, he approached and discovered that the figure was a dummy. He passed on, meditating first about the figure, then by a natural association of ideas his thoughts ran on to women in general; and at last he came to the conclusion that few people would attempt to interrupt him while he seemed to be talking to a woman. If a quick-sighted man like himself could mistake a dummy for a lady, why should not other people be similarly deceived? No sooner thought than done. The figure was made and placed in his office. He worked with his back to the door and his face to the figure. People came and looked and waited and walked away. The thing acted like a charm, and the few shillings for calico, buttons, hooks and eyes, and a dressed up figure-head were amply repaid by the saving in the valuable time of the official.

### THE PERFORMANCE COULD NOT BEGIN.

A few Saturdays ago a morning performance was being given at a theatre in the Strand. Among the people waiting to pay their money at the box-office was a young man who had evidently come up to London to see the sights. "I would like to have one of your best seats," he said, as he looked in at the window just as a chicken in a coop looks out at a grain of corn which it can't reach. "A stall? Ten shillings," was the reply. "Got any cheaper?" "Oh, yes! Got them at six shillings, four shillings, and three shillings at this entrance. Gallery round the corner." "Give me one at three shillings." "All right; there you are." "Has the show begun yet?" "Not yet." "How long before it will begin?" "Just as soon as you get seated," said the money-taker, in a way that was matter-of-fact. "We have been waiting for you." "Hey?" said the Highlander. "I say we have been waiting for you. I was afraid you wouldn't come. Please step in so as not to keep the company waiting." The Highlander looked at the man in the box for a half minute and then asked, "How did you know I was comin'?"

## THE CANADIAN ELECTIONS.

### ALLEGED TREASON AGAINST ENGLAND.

### STARTLING SENSATION AT A PUBLIC MEETING.

Great excitement and indignation have been caused among Canadians loyal to Great Britain by revelations made at a demonstration at Toronto on Tuesday night by Sir John Macdonald (the Premier) and Sir Charles Tupper. Sir John made the grave allegation, for which he took the full responsibility, that "Sir Richard Cartwright, seduced by the devil, forgetful of his own allegiance, forgetful of his duty as a Privy Councillor, and forgetful of his obligations, both moral and social, sneaked to Washington, and sat at nights with American statesmen settling whether he could sell Canada or not." The Premier announced that he took the full responsibility of charging Sir Richard Cartwright with a deliberate conspiracy to annex Canada to the United States, and amid great sensation he read a document which had been prepared by Mr Farrer, the editor of the *Toronto Globe*, showing American statesmen how to coerce Canada into annexation. The last paragraph entered into minute details as to how the Nova Scotians, who were well disposed in regard to annexation, were to be worked up by the imposition by the United States of tonnage dues on all their vessels trading with American ports. This would speedily bring about a crisis. Another ready way would be to suspend bonding privileges, and to cut off the Canadian Pacific Railway from entering the United States, which would rouse the full force of Western influence against the Conservative Government. In fact, every device was detailed fully by which it was possible to hurt Canada. Then the Liberal party would get into power, with Mr Farrer as leader, and unrestricted reciprocity would be secured, leading to annexation. Sir John vigorously denounced what he described as the traitorous conduct of the Opposition, which should instil righteous indignation in the hearts of true Canadians. The Premier's closing remarks were the signal for a renewed outburst of cheering, the audience standing and singing the National Anthem. The reading of the document created a profound sensation, and when the Premier's statement became known in the city it caused the utmost excitement and indignation. Squads of police had to be ordered out to protect the *Globe* office from the attacks of the furious mobs. Sir C. Tupper at the same meeting charged Mr Wiman with treason, and with advocating the most effective means of destroying British influence in Canada. He strongly denounced anything discriminating against Great Britain, and declared that the greatest calamity that could ever befall Canada would be the adoption of the policy advocated by Mr Wiman. The *Globe*, in reply to the Premier's charges, says no intelligent person can believe that men like Sir Richard Cartwright deserve to be branded as traitors by a man guilty of the greatest treason of all, the subordination of the many to the interests of the few, whereby the whole community is distressed and its best blood driven from home.

## TIT-BITS FROM "TRUTH."

The Queen's aptitude for business is well-known. The East Cowes Local Board recently asked for the gift of a piece of land as a site for a reservoir, which they have been endeavouring to construct for several years. The Queen, in her Royal bounty, consented to give it, but subject to the condition that she should be allowed to close a certain public road near the entrance to Osborne, and that the Local Board should undertake to supply water gratis to one of the Royal farms for all time. In spite of the proverb against looking a gift horse in the mouth, the Cowes people appear to have scrutinised this "gift" so closely that they declined to deal on those terms, and at the last meeting of the Local Board this view was forcibly expressed by a numerous and noisy deputation of ratepayers. The Local Board might have made a better bargain if they had offered cash down.

The real truth about the Queen Regent of Spain is that she is suffering from acute nervous prostration, caused by anxiety and overwork. The Court physicians prescribe absolute rest and absence from Madrid for several months; but Her Majesty cannot either leave the capital for any time or suspend her supervision of State affairs without endangering the security of her son's throne.

Not long ago, a fashionable calf was holding a bank at baccarat, when there was a stake of £1,500, about which there was a dispute, and which the players held ought not to be paid. The calf, however, being fully convinced that it would not do for him to fall out with his fashionable friends, said that the matter only concerned him as banker, and paid the money. He was a wise calf, for he knew the conditions under which he was received in the "hupper suckles."

The late Duke of Bedford's celebrated experimental farm at Crawley, near Woburn, is to be carried on by his son for the Royal Agricultural Society. This farm, which cost the Duke about £1,000 a year, has been very useful to practical agriculturists, as valuable experiments have been carried out there every year.

The Whitechapel murderer has reappeared among us, and if, after his last crime, he is still at large and undetected, it would really seem that we have nothing but the clumsiness of our defensive arrangements to thank for the result. It is evident that this human fiend had on this occasion barely completed his work when the constable on the beat discovered the murdered woman. Everything suggests that he was alarmed by the footsteps of the policeman, and fled at the officer's approach. Had the lessons of the last reign of terror in Whitechapel been properly learned, this constable, instead of pacing his regular round with measured tread and clanking heels, would have been sneaking up like a cat when least expected, his footsteps muffled by indiarubber soles. Had that been the case no one can doubt that "Jack the Ripper" would now be in custody, with evidence against him which would make his execution a mere question of days.

A novel curiosity of bankruptcy law has just come before me in the shape of a notice of a "second and final" dividend of fourpence in the pound out of the estate of a debtor who was adjudicated bankrupt on September 28th, 1860, under the Bankruptcy Act, 1849. By way of enhancing the favour, the notice adds that the money will only be paid on production of the securities, &c., "exhibited at the time of the proof of your debt," which is a pretty cool request after the lapse of thirty-one and a-half years. The lucky creditor in this instance is long since deceased, as are doubtless many more. If a traveller discovered such a case in China or Siam, with what unction he would narrate the illustration of Oriental barbarism!

So the Boulogne conferences have ended! They were a mistake. Mr O'Brien and Mr Dillon failed to perceive that Mr Parnell never had the most distant intention to recognise his dismissal. His object was to weaken his opponents by seeking to divide them, and to stem the current against him by pretending to be ready to withdraw under conditions that he never was really prepared to stand by. Nothing remains long secret. I suppose, therefore, that all in connection with these negotiations will come out before long. When it does, I think that the warmest friend of Mr Parnell will agree with me that to endeavour to tie him by pledges is as idle a task as it would be to imprison water in a sieve. This neither Mr O'Brien nor Mr Dillon would realise. They engaged in these emasculating negotiations; they went on hoping against hope that they would get Mr Parnell to withdraw, and thus prolonged a situation which that astute gentleman deemed it to his advantage to prolong. Before going to prison they ought to have been more definite in their final utterances. Presumably they did not like to say how utterly they had been fooled by their very unscrupulous ex-leader. No man likes admitting that he has been humbugged, and an Irishman less than any other man. Mr O'Brien was far more weak than Mr Dillon; indeed, I am credibly informed that on Mr Parnell leaving Boulogne after his final visit his language in regard to the latter was the reverse of complimentary.

If the Irish think that Home Rule can be won without us, by all means let them try. Should they notify this opinion to us, it will relieve us of a very arduous task. But if they do want us, they must realise tha (adultery apart), after Mr Parnell's recent utterances, and after the evidence of his bad faith that he has given us, we should vainly ask the English electors to assent to Home Rule, as a final settlement of the relations between the sister island, with only Mr Parnell's pledge that it will be regarded as such a settlement by the Irish. To us the problem presents no difficulties. We shall offer to the Irish a Home Rule Bill. If they accept it, we shall pass the Bill: if they decline to accept it, we shall put it on the shelf, and proceed to other useful legislation.

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## THE GATES OF EDEN.

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### CHAPTER X.

SANDY'S WORD.

On a little hillock among the heather and bracken on the moss sat the brothers, now orphaned, on the evening of their father's burying. They had much to say to each other, and the neighbours, with their usual officious kindness, had taken possession of the house, and there was not a quiet corner in it. Susan Bethune, grown garrulous in her age, was more tolerant of their intrusion, and was even glad of their company. John's death had given her a great shock, from which it was predicted by the wives that she would never recover. Perhaps Sandy's grief was the most poignant; at least, it was more demonstrative, possibly because it was commingled with remorse, of which the others knew nothing. John Bethune had prudently kept his own counsel, and, though he had told them all about Lochbroom, he said nothing of the cool reception he had received. But Sandy could not forget. He was too miserable to think of anything but the events of the past week. The Assembly had now met, but he felt no desire to go, though he had looked forward with pleasurable anticipation to making his first appearance there as a placed minister. Jamie had little to say; he could not vent his feelings in tears or in many words—only he knew that to him his father's death would be a life-long sorrow.

"The Star's fast changing, Sandy," said Jamie. "The old folk are slipping away by degrees. This will make a difference to us both."

"Not very much. You'll miss him most, of course—you and Aunt Susan," Said Sandy, with a gulp. "It'll be easier for me, I dare say; my work is more engrossing than yours. Head work always is."

Jamie sat silent a moment, watching the red sunset glowing behind the Lomond Hill, with a strange, far-off look in his eyes. It was a bright, still, beautiful evening, calculated to soothe and comfort the most troubled spirit. The air was full of low twitterings, for the birds were all busy and happy, knowing the glad, bright summer was come at last. The soft evening breeze was laden with those delicious scents to which we cannot give a name—the tribute of the wayside blossoms to the wealth of summer sweets. The cows were already out on the young grass, and were dotted here and there over the fields, lending a pleasant variety to the scene.

"When are you going to be married, Sandy?" asked Jamie, quite suddenly, after following the flight of a swallow till it was lost in the blue expanse above the Knowe.

"Married! What a thing to speak about to-night," said Sandy, quickly. "I don't know when I shall be married; perhaps never!"

"And what about Mary Campbell?" asked Jamie, quietly, feeling impelled to continue the subject, though he saw from Sandy's face that it was not altogether pleasant to him.

Sandy sat silent for a moment; his brother's words had diverted his thoughts into an entirely new channel.

"She must just wait my time," he said, rather crossly. "Women are such a bother, Jamie. They're always so much in earnest, and so anxious to get through with things."

"But you will marry her some day?"

"Oh, I suppose so. I don't know what you will think of me, Jamie; but, between ourselves, it was a great mistake of me to engage with Mary Campbell."

"I always thought you began too soon, but after you grew older, and always went after her, I thought it was all right. But, Sandy, you must go through with it now. It would be a great sin to leave her, and she's a bonnie, sweet, winsome lass, if ever there was one."

"She would be the very wife for you, Jamie," said Sandy, quickly; but Jamie shook his head.

"I'll never marry, Sandy. To me what folks call love's a great mystery. All women are alike to me."

"If you could just be in my shoes for a week down yonder, Jamie, it would convince you more than my speaking for a week that I have made a mistake—a great mistake! Why, Mary could no more hold her own in the Manse o' Lochbroom or mix with the ladies yonder than she could fly in the air. She would be like the lady Tennyson writes of, Lord Burleigh's wife, who was bowed down with a weight of honour unto which she was not born. I wish I knew what to do," said Sandy, picking the green tops from the heather and tossing them impatiently aside. "I sometimes get sick tired of life, Jamie. Things go so contrary always."

"It's just as you look at life, I think. I once thought that too; but when I got a clear glimpse of my duty, I did it, and everything came right."

"Well, what would you say was my duty in this case?" asked Sandy, eagerly.

"To marry Mary Campbell as soon as you can, and make up your mind to make her as happy as you can. She's a quick, clever girl, and she'll pick up fine ways in no time. She hasn't a chance in the Star. She'll win them all with her blithe winsomeness. No fear of them wondering at her. I suppose they all know *you* belong to working folk. If you like her as well as you did, you'll be as happy as the day is long."

"But that's exactly where it lies, Jamie. Supposing, now, that there was another whom I liked ten thousand times better than Mary Campbell, what would my duty be?" asked Sandy, eagerly.

Jamie turned his head, and looked his brother straight in the face.

"Is that how it is?" he asked, gravely.

"Yes; and, man, if you saw *her*—Beatrice Lorrain—you would not be astonished at me even for a moment. She is like some queen or princess, whom everybody must fall down and worship. Beside her Mary Campbell would look something like what yon evening star will look by-and-bye when the moon is up," said Sandy, in a quick impassioned voice. "I tell you, you know nothing about it. You's the kind of woman to take possession of a man's whole soul, and make him feel that he could do or dare anything to win her."

Jamie Bethune looked at his brother with a kind of strange, sad wonder. There was something almost fearsome in such a passion. Surely it could not be a good thing for any man to be so set upon a creature of clay like himself.

"I don't know what to say, Sandy. You are beyond me altogother."

"Think what a help such a woman would be to a man. Why, with Beatrice Lorraine at my side, I could rise in the world as high as it is possible in my profession. She would open the door of any society, and I can tell you there is more in a woman's tact and ability than in a man's genius to raise him in the world. Why, with a right wife, there is nothing a man may not aspire to and attain. Mary Campbell is a sweet, nice country girl, I grant you; but she would simply be a drag on me all my days, and I would have to be content in Lochbroom to the end of the chapter."

"If that be the case, the sooner you tell her so the better, Sandy; but I wouldn't like your job," said Jamie, in a quiet, cold, stern voice. "Is she a foreigner, this woman?"

"No; her father is English, a retired merchant who bought the estate of Nethercleugh from the Earl of Lockerbie."

"So they're gentry," said Jamie, and he dropped his head on his hand and sat silent again. Somehow he felt himself estranged from his brother more than he had ever been, for there was something within him which told him Sandy was far, far wrong. Oh, was this to be the end of the old man's prayers? Better, then, that he was away before he saw his son wholly given up to the world.

"Of course you think I'm a perfect wretch," said Sandy, at length; "but, as I said, you know nothing about it. After all, I don't think it's advisable to bring up children above their station as I have been; it only makes them discontented. I often envy you, Jamie, quite content as you are with the land and loom and your book of an evening. You can't have any idea of the struggle a fellow has in the outside world, fighting against the disadvantages of birth and upbringing. They clog his footsteps all his days."

Jamie sat silent still. He felt no desire to confide aught of his own battle to his brother: it would lie for ever between himself and God.

"Then you mean to marry this lady?" he said at length.

"I wish I thought I had a chance," said Sandy, his breath coming quick and fast again. "She is such a calm, still, unfathomable creature, that it is impossible to guess at her feelings. That's what makes her so desirable. Most women are ready to be made love to at any time, but you never get any nearer to Beatrice Lorraine."

"But you're going to try anyway?"

"Yes; I am trying now."

"Well, you'll tell Mary Campbell before you go away, and you'll be honest with her, or I'll tell her myself," said Jamie, almost passionately, for he felt for Mary almost as if she had been his own sister.

"I'll not promise to see her; I can't stand a woman's tears and that kind of thing. But I'll explain it all in a letter and I'm sure she'll thank me for it some day. She will be far happier with someone else."

"It's well you can comfort yourself with that," said Jamie. "I don't know much about such things, Sandy, but it seems to me that you are acting the part of a mean scoundrel, and if I were Mary Campbell's brother I'd break a stick over your back, minister though you be."

"Oh, come now! there's no use speaking like that, you know," said Sandy, his face reddening. "Not a minute ago you said it was my duty to give up Mary if I liked another better. It's the best kindness I can do her."

Jamie was miserably vexed and distressed. This was a strange, sad ending to their father's funeral day.

"I think we had better slip away home, Sandy," he said, rising to his feet. "This is neither a pleasant nor a profitable conversation."

"You are not much help or comfort to a fellow, Jamie. I'd do more for you," said Sandy reproachfully. "I'm sure I mean to do right, and I try hard enough, I can tell you. If you knew more about it, you wouldn't be so hard on me."

"I don't mean to be hard on you, Sandy. We've need to be friends now, for there's only us two," said Jamie, for all at once a sense of his own utter desolation swept over him, and nearly unmanned him. "It's my turn to speak now. I'm not going to stay in the Star, Sandy."

"Not stay in the Star! Then where on earth are you going," asked Sandy, in the purest amazement.

"I don't know yet; but as soon as I get things settled I'm going away. My work here's done now, and there's no use for me to stay."

"But what do you mean? What are you going to do?"

"I'm going into a newspaper office in the town, and I'll work my way up," said Jamie briefly, for it was a trial of no ordinary kind for him to subject himself and his life-dreams to Sandy's cold, critical, contemptuous opinion.

"A newspaper office! Are you daft, Jamie Bethune? What would a fellow like you do there? What has put such a thing into your head?"

"It's been in my head for ten or eleven years: it's not a new idea," said Jamie, quietly. "I've been working and getting myself ready when folk knew nothing about it. I'm not asking anything from you, Sandy; but I wouldn't do such a thing without telling you, because there's only you and me left."

"It is well you don't expect anything from me," said Sandy, loftily, "because you won't get it. I'll never give my countenance to such a thing, and if you persist in your idiotic determination, you must just bear the brunt of it. You can make a good thing of it here, and there's nothing to hinder you from taking a farm, and making a good position for yourself in that way. But a year or two in the city will soon convince you of your folly, and you'll remember my warning when your money's all spent, and you find yourself only an atom in that miserable stream of humanity which folk call the poor."

Sandy was the fine, highly-educated gentleman now, talking in his most offensive and grandiloquent strain. His brother felt it, but kept his natural resentment to himself.

"I've counted the cost, and I know what I am doing," he said, firmly. "If I fail, I'll not trouble you, Sandy. You'll never have to be ashamed of me."

"Fact is, you've read those humbugging and sentimental biographies and autobiographies till you've got the length of imagining yourself a genius," said Sandy, scathingly. "I tell you it won't do. Hundreds besides you have allowed themselves to be led away by a similar idea, and lived to rue it bitterly. I assure you there's no room for you, and if you go into a newspaper office it'll just be to set up types all your days."

"You seem to have judged my capabilities with wonderful exactness," said Jamie, with a touch of bitter humour. "Well, we'll drop the subject. I'm not a child now, you must remember, but a man who knows what's what as well as yourself. I'll go my way, and you can go yours, and we'll not bother one another more than we can help."

"All right. This is your doing, not mine, remember," said Sandy, shortly; and, turning upon his heel, he left his brother to finish his walk alone.

Jamie returned slowly to the house, thinking over many things. He was grieved and hurt at the way in which Sandy had received his confidence, yet not surprised. There was a soreness in his heart which was almost anger, for when had he denied his help or sympathy any time when Sandy had seemed to need it? Henceforth he must walk life's way alone; there was something in the very thought which made his heart swell with a new resolution, and stirred his pulses. In the house he found his aunt alone, sitting close to the fire although the warm, genial sunshine was playing about her feet. As he looked at the grey, weather beaten old woman a deep, peculiar tenderness took possession of him, for she loved him; had she not given proof of it through these many years of faithful, untiring service?

"Are you all alone, auntie?" he said, gently; and she looked up at him with an affectionate smile.

"I was thinking about you, laddie. Sandy will be away at the Knowe, I suppose? Sit down, and let's have a talk."

Jamie drew in his chair, and Aunt Susan leaned her elbows on her knees, and, with her chin in her hand, looked at him with a mingling of keen interest and deep affection.

"Do you know what I was thinking, Jamie, as I sat alone?" she asked. "I was thinking that your work's done in the Star, and that there'll be nothing to hinder you from going away now, where your heart's been for many a day."

Jamie started in the greatness of his surprise.

"Ay, you thought your old auntie saw nothing because she kept quiet. My man, I liked you too well not to be concerned in what concerned you," she said, with a shrewd smile. "Well did I know where all your book lore and reading was taking you; and now I'm going to say my say, and then you can say yours. You've stayed here, I know, for your father's sake, and I know it's for you to stay for mine; everybody before yourself with you, Jamie, and has always been, but I wouldn't have that. So I've got it all arranged in my own mind. You'll go away to the town, and I'll stay and keep the place for you; I'm not so worn out yet but what I can do my turn. And there's David Campbell, you know, always ready to help; ay, and there's two or three more that'll do me a good turn for your sake, laddie, and for the sake of them that are away. Hush! let me say my say. I'll keep a home for you, my laddie, so that you'll not feel yourself an orphan altogether, and the money will always be gathering, you know, and you'll maybe need it all. Just one thing more. You need want for nothing, Jamie, for all I have is yours. Sandy's far above me now, and would perhaps be above my money too. Not a word, now. I've settled it all; and, Jamie, you have your father's blessing, for I told him a short time ago what I thought *you were* after, and he said——. But there, I'll keep that bit for some day when you're dull and need something to cheer you up."

James Bethune sat silent a moment, for his thoughts lay upon him like a great deep flood, which could find no vent. Then Aunt Susan reached out one withered hand, and Jamie took it in both his own, and after a moment raised it to his lips. The impulse would not be set aside, and the little graceful act was only the due reverence to the woman who had been to him a mother indeed.

"I'll never forget auntie," he said, huskily; "and if I ever think lightly of all you have been and done for me, then may God punish me as I shall deserve."

Susan Bethune wiped her eyes, but there was a smile upon her lips. Oh, was not this one hour of deep satisfaction compensation indeed for all her anxiety and toil! She had redeemed her vow to Katie Law, and even if she was summoned to meet her now she need not be ashamed.

(*To be continued.*)

## A WOMAN AND FOUR CHILDREN SUFFOCATED.

A fire, which was attended by fatal results, occurred yesterday in a building at Brooklyn used as a bakery. A pot of boiling fat boiled over, and set fire to the building. A woman was badly burned, and four children were suffocated.

## THE DANGERS OF NATURAL GAS.

At Pittsburg three explosions of natural gas were yesterday caused by the water rushing into a cellar and breaking a pipe. One of the explosions wrecked a brick house, injuring five persons, one fatally. A second explosion demolished three small houses, injuring three of the inhabitants; while the third destroyed a boarding-house, in which six persons were injured.

## THE ABSCONDING PARIS BANKER.

Some curiosity has been aroused by a visit which has been paid by Inspector Byrnes to Madame Sarah Bernhardt at her own request. A mining journal alleges that the tragedienne informed the inspector that while playing on Thursday night she saw sitting among the audience M. Macé, the absconding Paris banker, who is said to have been infatuated with Madame Bernhardt, and to have followed her to America in the La Gascogne. The *Herald*, however, declares that Madame Bernhardt denies the Macé story.

## LIBEL ACTION BY MR T. HARRINGTON, M.P.

An action has been brought by Mr T. Harrington, M.P., against Mr Richard P. Lawlor, printer and publisher of the newspaper called the *Insuppressible*, for libel, claiming £1,000 damages. The alleged libel consisted in the publication of articles asking what had been done with certain funds handed to Mr Harrington for the use of evicted tenants. An application was made in the Exchequer Division, Dublin, yesterday, to compel the defendant to answer interrogatories, and this was granted upon conditions.

## THE NEW MINES BILL.

The Coal Mines Regulation Act (1887) Amendment Bill was issued yesterday. It is prepared and brought in by Mr Pickard, Mr Jacoby, Mr Cremer, and Mr Cuninghame-Graham. The changes which it proposes are of a far-reaching character. It provides for an eight hours day; proposes that "no person who has not been so employed before he has attained the age of sixteen years shall be employed in, or allowed to be, for the purpose of employment in any mine below ground;" and it also provides for the removal of women from the pit bank. Under it the check-weigher can only be removed for acts done at the mine; an assistant-inspector is to be appointed for every 6,000 persons employed about the mines in a district; and the right is given to any workman employed at a mine to appoint someone to act for him and examine witnesses before the Coroner in cases of death from accident in a mine, the inspector to be in all cases one of the witnesses. Mines are to be inspected within two and a half hours of the commencement of a shift; lamps are to be employed in all mines where gas exists; and no explosive is to be used within three months of the time when gas is seen. The amendments to general rules provide for timber being placed by the owners in the men's working places, and other matters. Man-holes are to be provided at intervals of five yards on planes worked by machinery, and at intervals of 25 yards on other planes, instead of 10 yards, 20 yards, and 50 yards as now.

MAN KILLED IN A FACTION FIGHT.—A man named Connelly was killed and others were seriously injured in a faction fight near Galway on Tuesday.

A BOON TO STOCKTON.—Never before was Stockton so electrified as now. Since Herr Cohen, the inventor of the Curative Coil Battery, made his appearance scores of households are cheered through the wonderful cures effected by his method of applying electricity in cases of rheumatism, sciatica, neuralgia, headache, nervousness, indigestion, depression, backache, weak circulation, and general debility. Without exception this Battery has been proved to be the most simple and lasting method of relieving pain and suffering. This latest invention might truly be called the "Little Doctor," because it relieves neuralgia in a moment, nervous headache with one application, rheumatic pains in the joints in about five minutes, to the surprise of everybody, and only those know its value who use it.—"January 13th, 1891. Dear Sir,—I purchased one of your Batteries when at Rotherham, and may say that I am quite satisfied with my purchase, and would not be without it for twice the amount it cost. It quite cured my wife of enlarged veins. The Battery has also been found about the neighbourhood for various other ailments, one in particular—a man who had a slight stroke of paralysis, on whom the doctor used it, and he was working again in a fortnight.—Yours respectfully, ARTHUR STONES."—The above battery may be had of Herr Cohen at the Temperance Hall, Dovecot-street, Stockton. Hours 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; 7 to 8.—ADVT.

## WHOSE WAS THE HAND?

By MISS BRADDON, Author of "Lady Audley's Secret," "Like and Unlike," "The Day Will Come," &c.

### CHAPTER XVIII.

"ENOUGH THAT I CAN LIVE."

As Clara Arden anticipated, dinner was late that evening at River Lawn. It was nearly half-past eight when Mr and Mrs Arden and Daisy met in the drawing-room, and the butler had been hovering in the hall for nearly half an hour waiting to announce dinner.

"You are looking so pale and so tired, Ambrose," Mrs Arden said, as they seated themselves in the light of the large shaded lamp, supplemented with clusters of wax candles, a light in which she could see the colour and expression of his face better than in the softer lamp-light of the drawing-room.

"I don't think that I am any more tired than usual," he answered. "You know what your fashionable physician said of me. You must not expect me to look particularly robust."

There was a silence after this, Daisy being more thoughtful than usual, and not offering any diversion by the girlish prattle with which she usually brightened the meal, whether her heart was light or heavy. No word had yet been spoken about Cyril's absence. The butler had quietly removed the cover laid for him, and the chair in which he was to have sat; but nobody mentioned his name till nearly the end of the meal, when Clara said, rather nervously—

"Cyril is dining out, I suppose?"

"He has gone to London," Ambrose Arden answered quietly. "He is not coming back to-night."

Clara looked at him wonderingly as he answered. Had Cyril told his father that his engagement was at an end? She could hardly believe that her husband would have taken the blow so quietly. It was left for her, she thought, to tell him of his disappointment.

Daisy slipped away to her own den as soon as she was free to leave the dining room, and Mrs Arden entered the drawing-room alone, and sat there waiting anxiously for her husband to rejoin her. He sat with his head bent over the empty dessert-plate, and the untouched glass of claret which the butler had filled unbidden. He sat brooding in the lamplight for nearly half-an-hour; and then, with a deep-drawn sigh, he rose slowly and went to the drawing room, where his wife was sitting by an open window looking out at the moonlit water, very sad at heart.

He went over to her and seated himself by her side.

"Cyril is gone from us for good, Clara," he said. "I suppose you know that."

"I know that all is over between him and Daisy; but I thought you did not know. I feared you would not be able to take the blow so quietly, knowing how pleased you were at their engagement."

"I was pleased because it was a link that drew me nearer to you. It was of *our* union I thought, not theirs. Nothing can touch me, Clara, while I have you."

"Did he tell you why he and Daisy had made up their minds to part?"

"Yes, he told me his reasons."

"And hers. You will blame my daughter for fickleness, I fear, Ambrose."

"Blame her, blame Daisy! Your daughter—and my pupil. Why, she was the bond between us years ago, when I was but the stranger within your gates. My love for your daughter is second only to my love for you."

His wife took up his hand and kissed it, in a rapture of grateful affection.

"How good you are to us, Ambrose," she said, softly. "Harsh words never fall from your lips. If I could only see you happy, my heart would be full of content."

"I am happy, Clara, happy in having won my heart's desire. What can a man have in this world more than that—the one desire of his life, the boon for which he has waited and longed through years of patience and silent hope? If there is happiness upon earth I have attained it."

"Poor Cyril," sighed Clara, after a pause of contemplative silence, which seemed in harmony with the stillness of the summer night and the beauty of the moonlit landscape, garden and river, meadow and woodland, and dark church tower.

"Poor Cyril. It seems so sad for him to leave us, to go out into the world as a wanderer; and yet, of course, it would be impossible for our old life to go on, now that he has broken with Daisy."

"No, the old life would not be possible. It belongs to the past already. Did he tell Daisy where he was going?"

"To Australia, he said. He consulted with you as to his destination, no doubt."

"No; he told me he should go away; but he did not enter upon his plans."

His whole manner altered as he spoke of his son. There was a hardness in his tone that surprised and grieved his wife, who a minute before had done him homage as the most admirable of men.

Clara Arden felt weighed down by the sense of inexpressible sadness as she sat looking out into the moonlit garden, that garden which she and her first lover had found a wilderness, and which he had made into a paradise for her sake. It was her girlish admiration of that old garden by the river which had made Robert Hatrell eager to possess the place. He had laid it at her feet as if it were a bunch of roses, never counting the cost of anything which pleased her. Had it been ten times as costly a place he would have bought it for her.

His image was with her to-night more vividly than it had been for a long time. It was as if he himself were at hand, in all the warmth and energy of life, and that she had but to stretch out her arms to beckon him to her. And, oh, with what a heart-sickness of longing and regret she turned towards that idolised image! He had never hidden a care from her. Were his thoughts light or heavy she shared them, and knew every desire of his heart.

But in this man, this cherished friend of many years, she had discovered mysteries. He had griefs which he would not share with her. He was angry with his only son; they had parted within a few hours, perhaps for all this life; and he would tell her nothing of the cause of their parting, he invited no sympathy. He sat by her side in melancholy silence, and she felt the burden of unhappiness which she was not allowed to share.

"If he would only talk of his trouble, if he would only let me comfort him, I should be twice as good a wife," she thought despondently. "It is not my fault if our lives are growing farther apart."

After this night an emotionless monotony marked Clara Arden's days in the house where her early married life had been so full of happiness, and where her one great sorrow, the sorrow of a lifetime, had come upon her. The idea of going on the Continent for the autumn was not carried out. The scholar's book absorbed him wholly in the waning of the year, and he preferred the quiet of River Lawn to all the glory of the Italian lakes, or all the art of Florence. He spent a good many hours of every day in his old cottage study, while his wife and her daughter lived very much as they had lived in Mrs Hatrell's widowhood.

"Your second marriage and my engagement to Cyril seem almost a dream, mother, when you and I are sitting here alone together, and Uncle Ambrose is poring over his books on the other side of the road," said Daisy, as she sat at her mother's feet in the morning room, pretending to read Lecky's "England Under the Georges," but looking up every now and then to talk. "I call him quite a perfect husband in his way—never interfering with our plans, never grumbling at his dinner, always courteous and kind, and ready to do what we like."

"Yes, he is all goodness to us," answered her mother, "and one would have nothing left to wish for if he were only happy."

"I daresay he *is* happy—in his way, mother—his calm, philosophical way, which used to soothe and tame me in my rebellious fits when I was a child. He was always the same, don't you know? Tranquil and rather mysterious like deep still water: like Lake Leman, whose depth one would never suspect if one did not see the mountains upside down in the water—and get reminded by those delusive shadows of the real depth below. Rely upon it Uncle Ambrose has all he cares for in this world, having you and his books and you give yourself groundless trouble when you are anxious about him."

Her mother sighed, but did not answer. She had watched her husband's face with a new anxiety ever since Cyril's departure: and she had seen the lines deepen, and the melancholy droop of the firm lips grow more marked.

No one at River Lawn knew anything about Cyril's whereabouts, unless it was his father. He had left Lamford within a few hours of his interview with Daisy, taking with him only a single portmanteau, as Beatrice Reardon informed her friend, this young lady having a habit of meeting every fly that ever entered or departed from the village.

"It's no use telling me you haven't quarrelled," protested Beatrice, when Daisy denied any ill-feeling between Cyril and herself. "I saw the poor dear fellow's white face as he drove by acknowledging my bow in the most distracted manner, and I never saw such a change in any man. A few hours before he had been the gayest of us all on the tennis lawn, and now he looked positively like his own ghost. You must have had a dreadful row, Daisy."

"We had no row, as you call it. We only agreed that it was better for us to part."

"Poor Cyril! I had no idea he was so desperately in love with you. He used to take things so very easily," remarked Beatrice, with all the freedom of friendship. "Of course I always suspected you of not caring a straw for him. You were not the least like an engaged girl. You didn't spoon him a little bit."

Daisy shuddered. She was one of the few girls who are revolted by such forms of speech as prevail in some girlish circles. Miss Reardon affected a fast and slangy manner as a kind of perpetual protest against the dulness and monotony of her life in a Berkshire village. She wanted everybody to understand that there was nothing rustic or pastoral about her mind or her manners.

This was all that Daisy or her mother heard about Cyril's departure. He had gone to his chambers most likely, where he could prepare at his leisure for that long voyage of which he had talked. The greater part of his possessions, his books and guns, and sporting tackle of all kinds, were in the Albany. He had his own man to pack for him, and accompany him to a new world, if he was so minded.

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